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Neighborhood muscle-flexing

Berkeley residents reclaim block from druggies in court victory

By Jacob R. Clark

A Berkeley, Calif., small claims court appears to have accomplished what the efforts of the city's police department, housing agencies and property owners were unable to do: clearing a formerly placid neighborhood block of the crack dealers, users and prostitutes that had wreaked havoc and terrified its residents for over a year.

Berkeley-Albany Municipal Court Judge Jennie Rhine awarded 18 residents of the 1100 block of Francisco Street \$1,000 each, plus court costs, on Aug. 29 for the emotional and mental distress they suffered when crack dealers and prostitutes laid siege to their neighborhood. The decision followed a similar ruling said to be the first in the country - issued by a San Francisco Municipal Court judge wbo awarded 15 neighbors \$2.000 each because alleged cocaine dealing, violence and noise from a nearby apartment constituted a public nuisance.

Fearful of Using Their Street

In an eight-page decision, Rhine wrote: "The neighbors of the Francisco Street apartments experienced excessive noise day and night, resulting in loss of sleep. They involuntarily witnessed drug use and sexual activity. They were propositioned and threatened while on the street to such extent they became fearful of using it freely."

The group, known collectively as the Francisco Street Community Group, filed the suit against property owners Percy and Ruby Davis, charging that the landlords were unwilling to do anything about the situation.

The police made numerous arrests, but the problem did not go away. And rather than allow the

neighborhood to deteriorate further, residents banded together to explore ways of dealing with the problem themselves.

The group discovered a recent California appellate ruling that said "small claims court was the proper forum for complex social issues and that consolidating claims did not constitute a classaction suit," said neighborhood activist Molly Wetzel.

"We consolidated our claims but we came forward in front of the judge and presented [tbe suit] as a picture of what crack does to a neighborhood," Wetzel told LEN.

The small-claims process was relatively easy: No expensive lawyers were needed and a filing fee of \$4 was affordable enough. The suit, brought in May, was settled quickly because California law requires a hearing within 30 days of filing, and a ruling within 45 days. If the public nuisance continues, a new suit can be filed every 100 days.

Tricks in the Schoolyard

Wetzel said the crack users began staking out her racially and economically mixed neighborhood about a year ago. Two units of an apartment building were being used as bases for crack dealers. Residents, noticing an increase in traffic and strangers carousing on the dead-end block, began documenting open drugdealing and prostitution and reporting it to the Berkeley Police Department.

"There were prostitutes turning tricks in the middle of the day on an abandoned schoolyard picnic table," Wetzel said. "They were shooting up and smoking [crack] in the schoolyard."

In addition, she said, neigbborhood women had to endure the Continued on Page 11

Police agencies said to be asleep at the wheel in designing shifts

The topsy-turvy shift schedules maintained by a majority of the nation's police departments are a detriment to the physical and mental health of officers, according to a prominent sleep researcher, and law enforcement agencies could vastly improve the performance of their personnel by implementing schedules that more closely follow the body's daily rhythms.

Dr. Charles Czeisler, director of Neuroendocrinology Laboratory at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, said shift schedules that complement the workings of the body's internal clock are more beneficial than traditional schedules, which often run directly counter to the body's circadian rhythms. Such ill-planned shift patterns characterized by frequent changes from day to night duties - can result in chronic fatigue, health problems, sleep disorders, a lowered quality of family life, and, even more dangerous for police officers, lapses in judgment and reduced levels of alertness.

Resetting the Clock

Czeisler, through his affiliation with the hospital's Center for Circadian and Sleep Disorders Medicine, has been studying the relationship between body functions and sleep for the past 10 years. It was Czeisler who proved that the body's internal clock could be reset by controlled exposure to bright lights and darkness in 1986, and he continues to expand upon that work today.

Czeisler, who founded the Center for Design of Industrial Schedules in 1980, recently completed a four and a half-year pilot study to redesign work schedules for the Philadelphia Police Department. The benefits of the revised schedules included a 40-percent reduction in the number of automobile accidents involving police officers and better overall work performance. [See accompanying article, this page.]

Several principles govern

Czeisler's approach to shift-work changes.

"The most important thing is that the shift work schedule should, in general, rotate in a clockwise direction," he said. "That is, they should go from day shifts to evening shifts and from evening shifts to night shifts, rather than going in a counterclockwise direction, from day shift to night shift, and from night shift to evening shift."

For example, police officers Continued on Page 21

Pilot study in Phila. finds benefits in revised shifts

When Dr. Charles Czeisler completed his study of the shift scheduling changes made in a pilot program in Philadelphia's 35th Police District. recommendations he made to the department included the introduction of a proportional staffing system to allow for optimal utilization of manpower: reversal of the direction of shift rotation to a clockwise rather than counterclockwise direction to alleviate physiological disruptions; an increase in the amount of time an officer spends on each shift from one to three weeks, and replacing the regularly scheduled six-day week with a four or five-day week.

Czeisler also noted the

following results among personnel who worked under his program for nearly a year, as compared with their former schedules:

¶ Officers reported a fourfold decrease in frequency of poor sleep;

¶ Twice as many officers reported no problems with daytime fatigue;

There was a 25-percent decline in incidences of falling asleep on the job during the night shift;

¶ Officers on the night shift reported that alertness increased by 29 percent;

¶ Officers had 40 percent fewer on-duty automobile accidents per mile as compared

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300 issues — and counting

Our sincere thanks, and continued commitment

It seems it was not too long ago that we at Law Enforcement News were taking a moment to point out our 200th-issue milestone. But here it is, nearly five years later (the time flies when the deadlines never end), and we're proud to call attention to this, our 300th issue (and counting). That we have come this far is due in no small woy to the efforts and support of a number of parties.

Since day one, our home base has been John Joy College of Criminal Justice, and we're pleased to be making a contribution to the overall mission of the nation's number-one college of criminol justice. With the unflagging support of the college's president, Dr. Gerald W. Lynch, we have enjoyed an enviable degree of editorial independence and encouragement.

We owe a great debt, too, to the ever-growing family of loyal readers, who have stood by us through the past 15 years, and to the men and women of the police profession, for providing us with a seemingly bottomless well from which to draw news and feature material in our specialized field of journalism. Each time we take notice of a police officer or police agency striding vigorously toward a more progressive, more humane, more effective style of law enforcement, we feel our efforts vindicated. To all of the LEN faithful, we offer our thanks in the form of a continued commitment to the highest standards of police journalism.

For our 300th issue, we have compiled a roundup of more than two dozen front pages from LEN's history, including, on our cover, our very first issue. In this expanded edition we've tried to chronicle some of the highs and lows of the post 15 years, along with some of the milestones of on often-frenetic period in American law enforcement. We hope you'll enjoy this obridged trip down memory lane, which begins on the next page. Stay with us as we head toward issue number 400—and beyond.

What They Are Saying

"The shift that we work is a killer. It's the worst possible thing for a body to do, to work the way we work."

Kenneth Rocks, vice president of the Philadelphia Fraternal Order of Police, on a proposed realignment of officers' shifts to comport with the body's own internal rhythms. (22:4)

Around the Nation



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Police Insp. Melvin Clark told the Washington Post last month that anti-gay violence is on the rise in the district. Gangs of skinhead youths are said to have attacked gays in Georgetown and the Dupont Circle area.

Police officers last month resumed working mandatory overtime to prop up anti-drug efforts. Officers in the 5th, 6th, and 7th districts are working 12-hour shifts. (See LEN, Sept. 30, 1989.)

MARYLAND - The Mont. gomery County Council voted 7-0 last month to stiffen penalties for hate crimes against gays and lesbians. The council reported that the number of gay-bashing incidents in the county rose from 2.000 in 1986 to 7,000 in 1987.

MASSACHUSETTS - Boston police, DEA agents and Federal prosecutors have formed a joint anti-drug task force that aet up shop Oct. 1.

NEW JERSEY - The Camden school system has become the nation's first urban district to adopt

Federal anti-drug guidelines for educating teachers and students about drugs.

A State Police investigation that began after a traffic stop on the New Jersey Turnpike last December has smashed a multimillion-dollar cocaine ring said to have ties to the Cali, Colombia, drug cartel. Thirty-three people were arrested.

NEW YORK - Suspended Rochester police officer David Rombough last month pleaded not guilty to charges of official misconduct and petty larceny. Rombough, 25, aaid he stols monsy from a drug suspect and gave it to the poor. "It bothered me that this guy was a drug dealer and that there were people out there who could use the monsy," Rombough said.

PENNSYLVANIA - The Pittsburgh school board last month voted 7-0 to discipline students caught using or selling drugs off campua. Pupils arrested will face possible suspension, expulsion, and counseling.

RHODE ISLAND — The Rhode Island Civil Liberties Union wants police held responsible for deaths and injuries resulting from high-speed chases. A report by the group said eight deatha and 13 serious injuries occurring

been avoided.

State Senator John Bevilacqua last month appointed a panel to probe the State Police, after the state troopers' union charged that Lieut. Leon Blanchette was forced to retire for providing testimony that embarrassed police officials in a 1988 ssx-bias



ARKANSAS - Thirty-eight Forrest City police employees last month volunteered for drug testing, in an effort to stop what Chief Joe Goff called gossip about police "messing with drugs."

FLORIDA - Saniors Against Crime, a new state program to train older citizens to protect themselves, will begin Jan. 1 in six counties. Fifteen percent of the state's crime victims are said to be over age 55.

LOUISIANA - Police in Besursgard Parish - the state's only dry parish, say illegal alcohul sales are common, and they are

from 1983 to 1987 could have prepared to pay \$50 bounties to anyone who can identify violators.

> The Ouachita Parish Sheriff's Department has acquired 12 Taser stunguns for use in jail and street emergencies. The weapons deliver a 50,000-volt charge that can paralyze a victim for up to 15

TENNESSEE - Nov. 6 has been set as the date for a hearing to oust Blount County Sheriff Avery Mills, who was indicted Aug. 2 on charges that the took bribes from a bonding company. Mills, who proclaims his innocence, says he will not resign.

VIRGINIA - Chesterfield County Sheriff James Mutispaugh resigned Sept. 21 after being told that the State Police had a videotape of him having sex with an administrative assistant.



MICHIGAN - The American Civil Liberties Union says it will challenge Wayne County Robert A. Ficano's plan to stop drivers in heavy drug-trafficking areas to check driver's licenses and vehicle registrations and possibly

search for drugs.

Gregory Dujardine was sentenced last month to life imprisonment for the August 1988 rape of an Ottawa County park attendant. DNA fingerprinting was used for the first time in a state criminal court during Dujardine's

OHIO - A suit challenging a new Columbus gun-control law has been transferred to Federal court because it raises constitutional questions. The law, which was to take effect Oct. 1, bans the sale of assault weapons.

WEST VIRGINIA - Paul Coleman, founder of a Huntington neighborhood watch program, said last month that he's quitting because of threats from drug dealers and a general lack of support. Said Coleman, "People call me and complain about drugs, but tbey are not willing to help.

WISCONSIN - Four former Marathon County sheriff's employees will be paid \$180,000 to settle a sexual harassment suit. The women claimed that the department's chief deputy mads sexual advances toward them.

Former Hillsboro Police Chief Rogie Green was sentenced last

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Study Says US Recidivism Rate Continuing Long-Term Decrease

month to 10 months in jail for a sexual assault on a 15-year-old girl. Green, 34, was arrested May 19 and resigned shortly after being charged with sexual assault and burglary.



IOWA - Cedar Rapids officials may have to seek another site where police bomb squads can detonate explosive devices, after the city and the new owners of the Benton County Quarry - the current disposal site - were unable to reach agreement on who should be liable for injuries.

KANSAS - The Sedgwick County Commission last month banned nude dancing at taverns and clubs after Sheriff Mike Hill told commissioners that those establishments accounted for 93 percent of all calls and a 95.5-percent arrest rate in 18 months. A lawyer for the clubs charged that deputies make up excuses to stop in.

MINNESOTA - Officials of the Chippewa National Forest are offering a \$200 reward for information leading to marijuana

grown on Federal land. The U.S. Forest Services says aerial searches have been ineffective.

NEBRASKA - An Omaha antidrug group known as Mad Dads has abandoned its plans for drugsurveillance helicopter flights after receiving complaints. State Senator Ernie Chambers called the group's plan "insane" and an affront to the black community.

NORTH DAKOTA - Law enforcement agencies in the Fargo area have raised \$5,700 in contributions that will be used to send six police dogs to drugdetection school.

WYOMING - The Rock Springs City Council last month withdrew a request for \$135,000 in Federal funds to open a drug and alcohol treatment center, after neighbors objected to having the center near their homes.



COLORADO - Vincent D. Groves has been ordered to at and trial on first-degree murder charges in the 1988 strangling of a Denver prostitute, after

Douglas County Judge Thomas Curry ruled that DNA testing provides clear and convincing evidence in the case. Prosecutors say they had little physical evidence other than the genetic patterns in Groves' blood and

NEW MEXICO - A state judge last month ordered a grand jury probe of a prosecutor's allegations that Socorro County Sheriff Felix Saavedra wrongly released his half-brother and a fourth cousin from jail, and altered records to indicate that a magistrate had approved the release of another prisoner.

OKLAHOMA - A Stilwell prosecutor has offered to give \$5,000 in money seized from drug traffickers to buy equipment for a voluntary, random drug-testing program for high school students. The local school board approved a plan to give discounts at area stores to students who agree to be tested.

Royce Owens, 25, who was killed by Tulsa police during a robbery April 15, has been linked by DNA testing to four rapes in the "Morning Stalker" and "Southside Stalker" cases, police say. The rape investigations have now been closed.

TEXAS - For the first time in

four years, the Dallas City Council last month authorized an across-the-board pay raise for city workers. The raises, effective Oct. 1, including 4.5 percent for police and firefighters and 3 percent for other employees.

UTAH - Draper Police Chief Wayne Riley was indefinitely suspended with pay last month pending an investigation by the Salt Lake County Attorney's Office of undisclosed allegations against him.



CALIFORNIA - Seven white San Francisco police officers filed suit Sept. 26 charging the city and the Police Department with reverse discrimination. The officera, who allege that they were passed over for promotion in favor of minority officers, are seeking back pay and an end to the alleged discrimination.

Los Angeles police last month seized more than 20 tons of cocaine found in a warehouse that purported to be in the business of importing and aelling black-

velvet paintings. The police, guarding against the possibility of an armed assault on the warehouse by drug traffickers seeking to reclaim their wares, sent in a heavily armed SWAT team to secure the premises.

IDAHO - Four Teton County sheriff's dispatchers have agreed to do janitorial duties at night in order to save their jobs, which were to be eliminated in the face of budget cuts. The dispatchers agreed to the additional duties so that the county won't have to replace a janitor who quit.

NEVADA - In his first day on the job last month, the state's newly appointed crimeprevention coordinator, Chuck Moltz, was stabbed in the back with a hunting knife by an unknown assailant, Moltz was reported in stable condition.

Judge Myron Leavitt ruled Sept. 20 that Clark County Sheriff John Moran was justified in firing Officer Chet Gallagher for leaving his post last Jan. 28 to participate in an anti-abortion protest.

OREGON - Corvallis Police Chief Daniel McCollum resigned Sept. 29 after a turbulent year in office capped by a police union vote of no-confidence in his administration.

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Unqualified support for qualified candidates

In hopes of attracting higher-quality candidates for sheriffs' positions in the state, the Tennessee Sheriffs' Association is pressing the state Legislature to pass a bill that will outline mandatory qualifications for the job.

As it stands right now, there are no qualifications for sheriff," said lke Hill, the association's executive director. "All you have to do is get a petition with 25 names on it and be 21 years of age, and

Candidates for sheriff must also have no felony convictions in their backgrounds, he added, citing a bill passed by the Legislature earlier this year in response to scandals that have rocked some Tennessee sheriffs' departments in the recent past. [See LEN, April 30, 1989.]

We feel that our qualifications for sheriff should be at least equal to the people who work for them,' Hill told LEN. "Now the deputies and police officers who work for sheriffs are required [to meet] 68 standards that they have to

Qualifications outlined in the bill, which will come before the Legislature when it reconvenes in January, include: the applicant must be a U.S. citizen at least 18 years of age; possess a high achool diploma or equivalency certificate; have no conviction or

plea of guilty or no contest to any felony charge; no violationa of state or Federal laws or city ordinances relating to force, violence, theft, dishonesty, gambling, liquor or controlled substances; no dishonorable discharge from the U.S. Armed Forces; pass a physical exam; and be free of medical disorders as described by DSM-III, the American Paychiatric Asaocia tion's Diagnostic Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders.

Hill said the association deci-

ded to push for the legislation last

We're trying to improve our image in the state, which certainly needs to be done. We feel that the qualifications will help us," he

The bill would affect all 95 of the atate's sheriffs' offices, Hill

The association also plans to lobby for pay increases for some of the state's sheriffs. Salaries, which are determined by a county's population, run anywhere

"from a high of about \$60,000 to a low of \$23,000," said Hill.

We figure if we get the salaries up there, we'll get more qualified people running for sheriff. The law is on duty 24 bours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year, and they draw the same salary as the other constitutional officers in the county who work five days a week, 8 A.M. to 4 P.M. We don't think this is proper," Hill said.

Low pay is also an invitation to corruption, Hill added,

Joe B. Brown, the U.S. At-

torney for the Middle District of Tennessee and a supporter of the bill, agreed with Hill, saying that part of the reason corruption has appealed to some sheriffs in the past "is because the standards are, in effect, nonexistent, and the salaries are minimum wage - particularly in the rural areas - or pretty close to that."

"These are individuals who are managing very, very large budgets and making salaries that are not commensurate with those responsibilities." Brown added.

LA sheriff suspends nine more deputies in case of suspected drug-money skimming; Feds join probe

A Federal investigation has been launched to determine whether veteran narcotics investigators from the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department skimmed nearly \$200,000 in seized drug money in what Sheriff Sherman Block said may turn out to be the biggest scandal to hit the department since he took office seven

Two groups of nine deputies each have been suspended since Block announced the investigation on Sept. 1. The first group of suspensions, involving nine deputies from a single narcotics

dismissal or withdrawal of three major drug cases, with about a dozen other cases in jeopardy.

"It's the first time anything of this magnitude has been suspected in this department," Block said.

Block announced the investigation during a highly charged press conference "to let the world know that yes, we are putting these nine people under suspension" even though no indictments have been handed down and no arrests have been made, sheriff's

unit, has already led to the spokesman Richard Dinsmoor told LEN.

Embarrasaing the Badge

The second group of deputies was suspended on Oct. 4. The suspensions to date have touched all four of the elite narcotics units in the department. The units were disbanded last month and the officers from those teams were reassigned to stations throughout the county.

Block, flanked by FBI investigator Lawrence Lawler and Earl Acquaviva of the Internal Revenue Service's Criminal Investigations Division, told reporters at the press conference: I deeply regret that I have to tell you that corruption has apparently touched members of my department and caused great embarrassment to all of us who wear a

The sheriff said that his office began its own investigation in October 1988 when "during the conduct of one of our internal audits, certain information was developed."

Based upon that information, a criminal investigation was in-

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NYPD's Ward calls it quits, citing health

City's first black police commissioner, unexpectedly announced his resignation as head of the nation's largest department Sept. 25, citing chronic asthma as the reason for leaving his post.

Ward said in a letter to Mayor Edward 1. Koch, who is himself leaving office, that his resignation would take effect Oct. 22. Ward did not disclose any postretirement plans.

Ward, 63, hospitalized with asthma attacks at least twice within the past two years, said in the letter, 'I had intended to stay with you to the very end but I am yielding to the chronic asthma that has sapped my strength."

Koch appointed First Deputy

Commissioner Richard Condon to succeed Ward for a term that will run at least until Jan. 1, 1990, when a new mayor will take office.

Ward had been expected to remain in his \$104,500-a-year post until the end of Koch's term, but health concerns apparently prompted him to reconsider.

At the news conference where Ward announced his resignation, Koch called him "one of the greatest police commissioners to

Determination and Vision Ward, a career cop who holds a law degree from Brooklyn Law

School, succeeded Robert McGuire as commissioner in 1984. During his tenure of nearly six years, Ward showed a sense of determination and resiliency in working to mold the Police Department into an agency that fit his vision of professionalism. He also displayed a propensity for verbal gaffes that sometimes alienated and offended various groups of officers and local officials [see accompanying article, page 20].

He worked his way up the ranks of the department he joined in 1951. He left the department's sworn ranks in 1966 to become executive director of the Civilian Complaint Review Board, and later held two deputy police commissioner posts.

In 1973 he was appointed as the city's Traffic Commissioner, beginning a string of top administrative posts outside the Police Department that included director of the Pretrial Services Agency, state corrections commissioner, chief of the New York City Housing Police, and city corrections commissioner.

Anti-Drug Saturation

During his first year as Police Commissioner, Ward increased foot patrols as part of a community-oriented policing program known as the Community

He also instituted the first of several anti-drug initiatives, Operation Pressure Point, in which battalions of officers were deployed on the Lower East Side of Manhattan to close up the open-air drug markets then

operating there.
In 1988, in reaction to the assassination of a young police officer by a group of drug dealers, Ward instituted the Tactical Narcotics Teams, which poured police into neighborhoods with highprofile drug-dealing activity. During the same period he ordered a massive increase in the size of the department's Narcotics Division, to its current strength of nearly 2,000.

Ward also instituted new higher-education requirements for those seeking promotion in the future to sergeant, lieutenant. captain and higher ranks.

Ward's tenure was also dogged by a number of notable setbacks. The police force continues to fight an uphill battle against drugs, particularly crack, and the number of police officers implicated in drug-related abuse and crime has also risen steadily in recent years. And, although sizable

increases were achieved during NYPD Commissioner Benjamin Ward pins the badge on his newly Ward's tenure in the number of appointed First Deputy Commissioner, Richard Condon, during a 1986 female and minority officers, the ceremony. Last month, Ward announced his retirement and Condon Continued on Page 20 was named to succeed him.

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NYC police may get body armor, after cop is saved by his vest

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Panel of top officials selected to oversee police accreditation drive

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Ham and Rye

Rambo himself was scheduled to be on hand Oct. 8 to present Rye, N.Y., Police Commissioner Anthony J. Schembri with the Man of the Year award from the Italian-American Professional and Businessmen's Association. The award cited Schembri for his pioneering efforts against international terrorism, bureaucratic corruption, and drug dealing and addiction."

Sylvester Stallone, a long-time friend of Schembri, was to present the award to the Brooklyn, N.Y., native as part of a Columbus Day celebration held by the Coalition of Italo-American Associations.

Schembri, Rye's police commissioner since 1981, has been active in law enforcement circles far beyond the boundaries of the quiet, well-to-do Westchester County community. He is a former United Nations representstive of the Internstional Association of Chiefs of Police and, under a Fulbright grant, has conducted an evaluation of Japan's National Police Agency the U.S.-Japan Foundation. He also chaired a recent national task force on crime and the elderly for the IACP, and is working on a

book about protecting the elderly. Schembri's friendship with Stallone stems from his successful 1982 attempt to help negotiate freedom for an American television reporter captured by Argentinian forces during the Falkland Islands conflict. Schembri, then serving in his U.N. post, spent a few days on the

Buenos Aires to negotiate the reporter's release. Stallone learned of Schembri's efforts through the Beverly Hills Gun Club, where he targetshoots, and indicated a desire to meet the commissioner. He did more than that: Stallone later presented him with an award in recognition of his help on the jour-

phone with the police chief of

nalist's behalf. We just became friends ever recalled Schembri, who has appeared in the CBS-TV crime series "Wise Guy" and who served as technical adviser and story consultant for the NBC-TV series "UnSuh."

Blast from the bench

A Federal judge in Chicago last month sentenced a former FBI agent to 15 months in prison for

selling cocaine, and used the occasion to blast the current war on drugs as predestined for failure.

There have been wars that we have been engaged in and not won, but to my knowledge we have never been engaged in a war that was lost before it began. We are committed to programs that are doomed to failure before they began," said U.S. District Judge Milton Shadur on Sept. 26 as he sentenced Roderick Kimmons, who had been an FBI agent since

Shadur, who did not single out any specific prgrams for his criticism, noted that the role of judges is not that of "policy-makers," but of officials carrying out the will of Congress, which legislates drug laws. He accused Congress of giving the Federal court system a "no-confidence vote" when it enacted Federal sentencing guidelines covering crimes committed after November 1987.

Shadur, who sentenced Kimmons in accordance with those guidelines, rejected a plea by the former agent's lawyer, who said that his client, though addicted to cocaine and alcohol, was still able to carry out his duties. The attorney, Thomas Durkin, had first requested that Kimmons be placed on probation, then argued that Kimmons was "an addict" who should receive only a mail industry, he had to look no

10-month jail sentence.

Shadur said he agreed with Assistant U.S. Attorney Helene Greenwald's contention that Kimmons' sentence should reflect that he did not aid the Government's case when he refused to identify his cocaine supplier. In tapes played at the trial, Kimmons was heard boasting that his supplier was a jeweler, drug dealer and money launderer from Chicago's North Side. Kimmons later denied the claim, saying it was all talk.

"There is no big money launderer," Kimmons told the judge. "I said a lot of things. I said I had a Lincoln Continental. I have no Lincoln Continental.

Kimmons said his suppliers were other users like himself.

Kimmons was arrested in October 1988 in his office at the Dirksen Federal Office Building when fellow agents found a quarter-gram of cocaine hidden in the bottom of a cigarette pack.

Rallying the troops

When retired FBI agent George Van Nostrand needed help to battle theft and abuse in the direct

further than the "old boy" network of retired FBI agents, many of whom were more than willing to serve as mail monitors.

The 52-year-old Van Nostrand, who is president of Federal Monitoring Service, a private company, has put together a nationwide system of mail monitors to ensure that marketers who rent mailing lists from Federal's clients do not abuse the privilege.

Several hundred ex-FBI agents, retired state and local law enforcement investigators and a few former CIA agents - many of whom now work as private investigators — are doing "double duty" for Federal, Van Nostrand said.

"Because of their law enforcement training, they are not only skillful and meticulous in monitoring mailings, but they can also investigate personally when we detect a problem in their area," he added.

Previously published figures estimate that in 1986 mailers spent \$720 million to rent mailing lists, and sales of products and services offered by direct mail totaled \$56 billion in 1987 - and Van Nostrand says the growth of the industry has brought with it an increase in mailing list abuse.

The Direct Marketing Association, the industry's selfregulatory trade group, focuses mostly on postal rates and regula-

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tions and downplays the frequency of mailing-list theft and abuse. DMA says malfeasant practices can be remedied by educating users about proper mailing list practices, but Van Nostrand does not go along with that cheery contention.

The proliferation of computer networks has made it easier for abuses to be carried out, according to Van Nostrand. Companies with lists of customers can rent out their lists and receive lucrative fees in return, Mailing houses rent lists of people who could be potential customers for the particular servica or product a mailer wants to offer. List brokers typically act as the middlemen in such transactions, which are usually limited to a one-time use of a list in promoting a certain product or service.

But list renters sometimes use the list over again without paying for it or they may rent lists to surreptitious users. In worst-case scenarios, the renter may simply append the list to its own mailing roster, without paying the list owner.

To prevent these abuses from occurring, list owners have begun to add a few decoy names onto their lists. Many times ralatives or friends are enlisted and then monitor what they receive from those who use the list. But, in the tug-of-war world of crime and law

enforcement, some list thieves have formulated techniques to spot decoy names.

Van Nostrand's company has attempted a different approach to monitoring mail: It seeds its clients' lists with decoys derived from its extensive network of former law enforcement agents. The Hackensack, N.J.-based company has also developed techniques it hopes will ensure against its decoys being detected and expunged from lists by those intent on abusing directmarketing lists.

"The way our system is set up. wa can quickly spot and docu-ment patterns of unauthorized use," said the former FBI agent, whose 26-year career took him from civil rights duty in Mississippi to counterintelligence missions in New York. "For example, if our client rents out a list for a mutual fund offer but our monitor also receives a life insurance or jewelry offer addressed exactly the same way. that's a clear indication of misuse at the vary least."

Mailers themselves often hire Federal Monitoring Service to ensure that their goods are being delivered by the U.S. Postal Service in an accurate and timely fashion. Some of Federal's monitors - sometimes working alongside postal inspectors have uncovered patterns of in-

employees.

Life saving at a distance

A Dane County, Wisc., dispatcher summoned an ambulanca for a Washington, D.C., man suffering from celebral palsy, after the stricken man called a friend in the Wisconsin capital of Madison because he feared D.C. dispatchers would mistake his garbled speech for that of a drunk or

mentally ill person.

The roundabout plea for help occurred Aug. 24 when Madison resident Rick Brooks received a call from his unidentified friend in Washington after the man suffered an unspecified injury, according to the Wisconsin State Journal.

"He called me and not 911 in Washington because they would have thought he was drunk or crazy," said Brooks, axplaining that his friend feared that anyone he might contacted for help would be unable to understand his "grunts and moans."

"He knew I would be able to help." he said.

Brooks could not get through to 911 dispatchers in Washington,

competence and theft by postal so he contacted Madison's emergency system. Dispatcher Diane Barber sent a taletype messaga to Washington, explaining the situation, and by the tima

Brooks attempted to contact his friend, emergency medical per-sonnel in Washington had already responded to the call for



Crime doesn't pay - it costs

To draw public attention to the \$9 million a year it costs to clean and repair vandalized buses of the Southern California Rapid Transit District, Los Angeles city and county officials proclaimed Sept. 26 "Anti-Graffiti Day." Kicking off the new campaign are (l.-r.): Transit Police Chief Ernesto Munoz; Larry Gonzalez, chairman of the Police and Public Safety Committee, RTD Board of Directors; and Comdr. William Booth of the Los Angeles Police Department.

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You'va got a friand: When it comes to civil liability actions against the police, Americans for Effective Law Enforcement lides to the rescue Executive director Wayne Schmidt explains the ground rules in a LEN interview, Page 8.

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Taking the family out for a drive can be a tricky proposition in Prince George's County, Maryland, where officers have been taking their patrol cars home for off duty use. Sounds good — if you don't mind a shopping tip turning into a high speed chase. For details, pull over to Page 3.

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Miranda warnings, examined word by word

More than 20 years after the U.S. Supreme Court devised a bright-line rule defining a suspect's Fifth and Sixth Amendment rights in Miranda v. Arizona, there continues to be controversy surrounding the adequacy of the warnings given. In Miranda, the Court set out the exact phrasing by which a police officer can effectively inform a suspect of his constitutional rights. In attempting to avoid too rigid a rule, however, the Court stated that "an equivalent" of the suggested warnings would be recognized. Thia has led to a flood of litigation questioning whether other versiona of the Miranda warnings are in fact equivalent and whether they "clearly inform" the auspect of his rights. The latest in this long line of casea is Duckworth v. Eagan (No. 88-317, decided June 26, 1989), in which a sharply divided Supreme Court upheld a version of the Miranda warnings which contains what has become known as an "if and when" clause.

The Facta of the Case

Gary James Eagan contacted the Chicago Police Department to report that he had seen the naked body of a dead woman on a Lake Michigan beach. Eagan denied

any involvement in the matter, but when the police and Eagan went to the beach, the woman, still alive, claimed that Eagan had stabbed her. Eagan then told the officers that he had been with the woman earlier and they had been attacked by several men who abducted the woman. After it was learned that the crime had been committed in Indiana, the

Hammond police then locked Eagan up for approximately 29 hours, at which time they again interviewed him. He was read a different waiver form by the police, one that reflected the more common Miranda warnings, which he subsequently signed. He then proceeded to confess to stabbing the woman. At trial, the state court admitted the confesguards. In other words, as long as the suspect's rights are "reasonably conveyed" to him as required by Miranda, that is all that matters.

With regard to the "if and when' language, Rehnquist wrote that this phrase accurately represents the procedure for appointment of counsel under Indiana law. The Sixth Amendment suspect of his rights prior to any questioning. Marshall maintained that the warning given to Eagan stated that he had the right to an attorney prior to questioning, and the next sentence said that one would be appointed if he could not afford one "if and when [he went] to court." Eagan could easily have concluded from the "if and when" caveat that only those accused who can afford an attorney have the right to have one present before answering any questions; those who are not so fortunate must wait.

"We have no way of giving you a lawyer, but one will be appointed for you, if you wish, if and when you go to court."

Chicago police turned the investigation over to the Hammond. Ind., police. The Hammond police requested that Eagan come in for questioning, which he agreed to do. When Eagan arrived he was read a waiver form containing a version of the Miranda warnings that stated in part:

You have this right to the advice and presence of a lawyer even if you cannot afford to hire one. We have no way of giving you a lawyer, but one will be appointed for you, if you wish, if and when you go to court" [emphasis added).

After signing the waiver form, Eagan told the same story he had given the Chicago police. The sion, his first atatement denying any involvement in the crime, as well as other evidence obtained as a result of the confession.

"Reasonably Conveyed" Rights

In writing for the Supreme Court majority, Chief Justice Rehnquist stated that the procedural safeguards that require police officers to inform criminal suspects of their Fifth and Fourteenth Amendment rights were not violated, even though the warnings were not given in the exact form described in the Miranda decision. In Miranda, the Court did in fact indicate that a fully effective equivalent is enough to satisfy those procedural saferight to counsel only attaches when a suspect is formally charged with a crime, and counsel would be appointed at the suspect'a first court appearance. Thus, the statement simply describes when the suspect had a right to counsel. Rehnquist went on to note that it is common for a suspect to ask when his right to counsel attaches. The warnings given simply anticipated this question.

Justice Marshall, joined in dissent by Justices Brennan, Blackmun and Stevens, opined that the phrase "if and when you go to court" violates the requirement in Miranda that the warnings must "clearly inform" a Key Language Ignored

If Marshall's characterization is accurate, then these warnings violate the "clearly inform" standard under Miranda. However, Marshall misconstrues the warnings and ignores key language. The section in question reads:

"You have a right to talk to a lawyer for advice before we ask you any questions, and to have him with you during questioning. You have this right to the advice and presence of a lawyer even if you cannot afford to hire one. We have no way of giving you a lawyer, but one will be appointed for you, if you wish, if and when Continued on Page 18

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What They Are Saying:

"The little LEAA grants were the tails that

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Norma Sue Walfe of New York's Division of Criminal Justice Services, commenting on the impact of the defunct Federal egency. (Pege &3)

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Former U.S. Ambassador Diego Asencio, who was held captive by terrorists in Colombia for 61 days, chastising the media for overzealous coverage of

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LASO drug-money probe may widen

Continued from Page 4 Acaquaviva told LEN. "The only itiated," he added, without thing I can comment on is that we divulging details.

The FBI was called into the investigation in May, and the IRS joined in July. The U.S. Attorney for the Central District of California, Gary Feese, is also involved in the investigation, Block added.

Severe Punishment Vowed

Block vowed that any corruption uncovered in his department would be severely punished, and stressed that the current probe involved only a small percentage of the 10,700 Los Angeles deputies. He commended those deputies involved in the initial investigation, saying their task involved great deal of investigative skill, dedication and secrecy to achieve these results."

The skill and dedication shown by the deputies who par-ticipated in the investigation is typical of the dedication and integrity of the members of my department," Block concluded, adding that no further details would be released by his office.

Investigators close to the case refused to comment when contacted by LEN, but at least one of them, IRS's Acquaviva, questioned the timing of Block's announcement.

'We're still pre-indictment,"

were invited into this investigation to take a look at [the deputies'] personal tax returns and also to take a look into whether there was any moneylaundering involved."

Acquaviva said he disagreed with Block's decision to make the investigation public.

Accusations Before Facts

"The problem is [that] you're almost accusing people when you don't have all the facts pulled together yet. It's a terrible thing to be accused of something when you haven't even gotten into the courtroom yet. If you've got strong evidence enough to get an indictment, then you should start talking," he said.
The Los Angeles Times

reported that no narcotics are alleged to have been taken by the accused deputies, but as much as \$200,000 may have been skimmed.

"It isn't nickel and dime." said one unidentified "Federal law enforcement source" quoted by the

paper.
"We don't know the full amount of money at this time," the source said. "It could run into a couple of hundred thousand dollars. The money was not get-



than a major amount.

ting to the evidence vault. I think they took a little each time rather

Block suggested that not all of the deputies named in the investigation may have actually participated in the moneyskimming, but that since "these people work as part of a team, the entire team has been placed on administrative leave.

The Times quoted a "top sheriff's official" as saying that the deputies were part of a "majors crew' working on major traffickers exclusively.... They have been around a long time. The question is whether it goes beyond the unit."

"I deeply regret that I have

to tell you that corruption

has apparently touched

members of my department

and caused great

embarrassment to all of

us who wear a badge."

Others Under Scrutlny

The investigation, which is said to be far from over, may yet implicate other officers, including some in other departments. Los Angeles Police Chief Daryl F. Gates told the Times that he cannot rule out the possibility that one of his officers is involved in the scandal.

Block said that future narcotics investigations "certainly will be impacted because of the trauma of this investigation."

Robert Schirn, head of the Los

Angeles County District Attorney's major narcotics division. told LEN that five cases in which suspended deputies were witnesses are now "pending" while prosecutors await the outcome of the investigation. None of the five cases have yet come up for trial, he added.

The Los Angeles Sheriff's Department seized three tons of cocaine and \$34 million in drug money last year, according to official statistics. Drug enforcement officials believe that 40 percent of the cocaine sold in the United States is distributed from Los Angeles.

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What They Are Saying:

"I am a civilian, there is civilian control

New York City Police Commissioner Robert J. McGuire, responding to cells for greater civilian control over investigations into police misconduct charges (Page 12.4).

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The boldly lettered sign and the embellishments on car windshields make it clear to drug dealers in Gretna. La., that the local police are not kidding when it comes to drug enforcement. Alex Barkotl/New Orleans Times-Picayune

Drug dealers put on notice

Drug dealers in Gretna, La., apparently are taking very seriously sign placed over a row of confiscated vehicles, warning them their cars face the same fate if the dealers are caught plying their trade in the town, which is just across the Mississippi River from New Orleans.

"We get the word from the street that dealers are now avoiding doing any business in Gretna" since the appearance of the billboard-sized sign, said Police Chief B. H. Miller Jr.

The sign reads: "Warning Drug Dealers - These vehicles and yours will become seized property of the Gretna Police Department if you conduct business in the city limits of Gretna." It is signed by

Among the nine vehicles emblazoned with the word "seized" are a BMW, a Jaguar, and a pickup truck.

Miller told LEN that while the sign is not expected to make the drug dealers go away entirely, it puts them on notice that their wheels will be taken from them if they are caught.

'What we're doing is we're using everything in our power to let them know [drug dealing] is not going to be tolerated in the city of Gretna. We're going to take every legal means necessary to curtail

their business," said Miller. "Tbey're still dealing drugs of course, and we're making arrests, but I think (seizure) is one of the best tools we have right now. So if we can't do anything else, we can hit them in the pocketbook."

Miller said crack is the city's biggest drug problem, and noted that drug-related arrests were up 250 percent for the first six months this year compared to the same period last year. He added that Gretna gets drug-dealing "spillover" from a nearby New Orleans housing project.

Miller said that while the sign itself may not make a dent in the city's drug trade, other efforts by the 64-officer department are in the works, including participation in a regional task force in the New Orleans area

Working with other agencies gives us access to undercover people and access to other information that we normally wouldn't be receiving," Miller said.

The Chief also cited a proposal to make it easier for his department to seize drug-related assets. Under the plan, the city would receive 60 percent of the goods, with the remaining 40 percent being split evenly between the local court system and the District Attorney's office.

"So that will probably help in our seizures - to make (seizures) easier and quicker. And we'll be able to do it independently, also," Miller added.

Chicago PD seeks help in laying to rest charges of police brutality

The U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, acting at the request of Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley, is planning to join with the FBI in investigating allegations of police brutality against the Chicago Police

U.S. Attorney Anton Valukas civil rights violations.

The Chicago City Council voted unanimously on Sept. 13 to conduct its own investigation through its Police and Fire Committee to examine the extent of police brutality against city residents. Complaints against the department have shown an increase this year, according to Chicago Police Department statistics. Through Aug. 31, 1,610 complaints had been filed against Chicago police officers, compared with 1,453 for the same period in 1988.

Two recent incidents involving police and minority residents

tions against them are found to be

Valukas said he welcomed the City Council's investigation, but cautioned that his office has not noticed an increase in the number of complaints involving Chicago police officers.

'I don't see any difference in the numbers or nature of the incidents," said Valukas in an interview on the WMAQ-AM program, "The Reporters.

In a separate radio interview, Police Supt. LeRoy Martin suggested that the investigations will not uncover a surge in brutality complaints and he warned against "fanning the flames of racial divisiveness and engaging in overkill which could paralyze

serious problem and is not epidemic," Martin said on the "At Issue" program aired by WBBM-AM.

David Fogel, chief administrator of the Chicago Police Department's Office of Professional Standards, which handles complaints of police misconduct, reported that during 1988, there were 2,242 complaints filed with OPS, of which 139 were substantiated after an investigation. In 1987, he said, 2,190 complaints were filed, with 121 upheld.

for 11 police officers during 1988, and so far this year has recommended the same penalty for

Department.

said Sept. 14 that the Mayor's request, made in an effort to clear the Police Department's name, stems from two recent incidents involving complaints of alleged police abuse. Valukas added, however, that the investigation does not necessarily mean there is a surge of brutality incidents and

During a radio interview reported by the Chicago Tribune, Valukas said that while his office always monitors such com-plaints, "lt's a positive sign for the Mayor to call up and say, We've got problems and we want you to look into it.''

pushed the issue to the forefront. In one, a South Side man was shot to death during questioning by police. In the second incident, two black teenagers were beaten by a gang of white youths after police intentionally dropped them off in a predominantly white neighborhood following an interrogation, the Tribune reported. Daley called for the dismissal of the two police officers allegedly involved in the latter incident if the allega-

the Police Department. 'Police brutality is not a

OPS recommended dismissals eight others, Fogel said.

Coming up in LEN:

On the line with the only certified sign-language interpreter for the deaf in American policing.

FBI agent turns futurist, sees rough road ahead for policing

In the decade ahead, police agencies will be confronted with massive civil disturbances in U.S. cities, a huge increase in computer related crime, and attempts by hate groups to infiltrate law enforcement, according to an FBI agent and veteran futurist.

Dr William Tafoya, who is in the midst of a six-month stint as a research fellow to the Congressional Clearinghouse on the Future, made the gloomy predictions in a recent interview with LEN But his forecasts were tempered by the acknowledgement that a number of promising developments in policing will help to stem the crises yet to come.

Tafoya, a 14-year veteran of the FBI who has a Ph.D. in criminology and criminal justice and is on the faculty of the FBI Academy's Behavioral Science Instruction and Research Unit in Quantico, Va., will soon present his findings on the future of crime and law enforcement to Congress.

Tafoya said he based his predictions of growing social unrest on a number of recent events, such as the rot in Miami that followed the death of a black man allegedly at the hands of a Hispanic police

Issues Beyond Police Control The potential for widespread civil disturbance grows from a

number of deeper issues, like

poverty, homelessness and drug

forcement has no control over, Tafova said. The recent disturbances in

abuse, "that by and large, law en-

Miami could act as model for such unrest in the future, he said. Initially, residents in the Overtown section of Miami, where the rioting occurred, charged the police with racism and brutality.

"But almost in the same breath, these people were contending that they are frustrated by their economic plight, the joblessness that exists in that particular segment of Miami,'' Tafoya said. The city's underclass also generally believed that local government shows more concern for newly arrived, predominantly Hispanic immigrants than it does "for people who lived here their whole lives," he added.

That frustration can trigger violence with very little provocasaid Tafoya, leaving the police in an "intolerable situation" because disenfranchised groups have traditionally viewed the police — "the most visible representatives of government" — as "the enemy."

Community-Oriented Policing

Part of the solution, Tafoya said, is for law enforcement to develop strategies "by which that perception can be altered so that the police are not viewed as simply the enforcers for the status quo and the power structure" but "as referral agents to those social service agencies that can be of assistance" to the underclass.

Tafoya also recommends that police agencies adopt approaches that foster tolerance and respect for social and cultural diversity. He noted the shift of some departments to a community-oriented policing style, which he said can help change negative attitudes toward the police.

'It seems to me that given the kind of social strain that exists in the country, building this kind of rapport with the community is the kind of prescription that needs to be followed if widescale demonstrations are to be averted," he said.

Tafoya also predicts that members of hate groups will attempt to infiltrate police agencies in an attempt to spread their white-supremacist dogma and commit acts of "domestic terrorism." Hate group activity in general will increase, Tafoya added, pointing to the resurgence of the Ku Klux Klan and the growing numbers of racist skinhead youth groups.

Screening Out Extremism

"If I were a racist, what better place to initiate my hidden agenda than behind the shield of a badge?" Tafoya suggested. "So the question that I raised rhetorically was, by what means does a police department, in the evaluation of a candidate, deter-

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Berkeley residents have their day in court

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taunts of men who came looking for prostitutes. Their children were being offered drugs by dealers. Cars and homes were vandalized and burglarized. Used condoms, garbage and sometimes rock cocaine were discarded in their yards. And there were the 'endless, endless streams of cars and taxis" cruising the block day and night.

'My kids didn't want to come home anymore," said Wetzel, a 36-year-old single mother who works as a management consul-

Wetzel bad had more tban enough by the time her 15 yearold son, Peter Flores, was robbed of 55 cents by a gun wielding crack user in the middle of a Saturday afternoon.

"They were going to blow his head off for 55 cents," she said.

No Fault of the Police

Hundreds of calls were made to police to document the hellish activity that had transformed the block. Wetzel said she did not fault the efforts of the police, who made dozens of arrests on charges ranging from open drug use and solicitation to concealed weapons.

'The Police Department did as strong an enforcement as we possibly could and at different

times, we were able to make cases," said Capt. Bobby Miller of the Berkeley Police Department's Detective Division. "However, with the system as it is, the folks would return. They would be in custody for a sbort period of time or other people would just take their place.

Appeals to the property owner fell on deaf ears, Wetzel said. He claimed he wasn't responsible. Nor did local housing agencies seem to care.

Berkeley has one of the tightest rent-control laws in the nation, and at no point in time did any rent-control law or eviction law stand in the way of evicting these people from their apartments." Wetzel charged. "The current system just collapsed as far as we were concerned."

A civil suit was discussed, but it would have cost the group \$5,000 to initiate and litigation could have taken up to three

"We didn't have that time. Not only were our families falling apart fast, but people were just leaving," said Wetzel.

Money Talka

But within six weeks of filing the small-claims suit, the crack dealers who had ensconsed themselves in apartment units, in-

cluding one occupied by Davis's nephew, were gone, evicted by the landlord.

Thirty-six thousand dollars lin claims] and they stand up and listen," Wetzel said, adding that Davis has a new-found interest in the upkeep of his property.

The crack dealers apparently have taken their business elsewhere, Wetzel added.

"And not yet have we seen a crack dealer willing to come into court to fight against his eviction on grounds that he wants to continue his illegal act, when there's neighbors willing to testify that his business is causing all this duress in the neighborhood," Wetzel said. "So they move, they leave, they get out of the neigbborhood."

Wetzel said banding together under the banner of the Francisco Street Community Group lessened the chances of retaliation against residents by dealers.

We were never confronted by dealers; we hid behind the name, she said. "The drug dealers knew that the neighborhood was very upset and weren't going to take it anymore. They didn't know wbo to strike out at. These are dangerous people — psychotic and violent - and they're ready to flip at any little thing."

Residents Feel Empowered

In the past few months, the neighborhood has been restored to its old self. Wetzel said.

We have a community. The kids sre back out on the streets playing and screaming. Drug dealers won't even walk or drive down our street. It's brought us together and empowered people to better their neighborhood," she said. Trees have been planted and plans are afoot to turn the abandoned schoolvard - scene of so much degradation in the past year - into a viable playground for local youngsters.

But perhaps the most enduring lesson learned by the residents of one block of Francisco Street is that neither the police nor the courts can battle the crack epidemic alone.

'We came to understand — and l think everyone else is - that our police force and our [criminal justice] system is inundated with this problem," Wetzel said. "They can't solve it themselves. The police can't do it. Our action was cheap, safe, fast and effective. Property owners who refuse to properly manage their proper-ty are legally held accountable for ensuring that their property contributes to the happiness and well-being of the neighborhood."

Now the group's attention is shifting to other neighborhoods with similar problems and its "partnership" with the police continues as residents continue to monitor conditions in the neighborhood, Wetzel said.

"I think it's a winning team we've put together," she added.

Battered spouses win new protection in Indiana

in Indiana see good things coming from the state's new law expanding the power of police to arrest those who violate court orders of protection, but they temper their optimism by saying that police and the courts still need to be more sensitive to the

plight of abused women.

'I think it was an important step as far as giving women a feeling that they have a right to be safe," said Linda Eddington, director of Sojourner, a shelter for battered women in Indianapolis. "Unfortunately, it's not backed

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College-for-cops gets Texas-size shot in arm

San Jose 'sting' finds avalanche

of drug use In Silicon Valley

Requiring college may be desirable, but uncommon

Coming in January: LEN's first Law Enforcement Person-of-the-Year Award

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Fleeing-felon rule cut down

Houston, Delias cut shootings with stricter use-of-force policies

DoJ targets 56 agencies for action on quotas



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Other Voices

A sampling of editorial views on criminal justice issues from the nation's newspapers.

A bit much
"Has President Bush added a few comedy writers from 'Saturday Night Live' to the White House staff? Sure seems that way. How else to explain the fast one he pulled during his prime-time Sept. 5 address on fighting the drug menace? Yep, that plastic bag of crack he displayed was the real thing, purchased in Lafayette Park across the street from the White House. Nope, the park is not a drug bazaar. Federal narcs had to beg a suspected teen dealer to sell crack to an undercover agent there. Memo to Bush: Americans want substantive antidrug policies to emanate from the Oval Office, not props, trumped up backdrops and Chevy Chase-like showmanship. Next time, spare

- New York Newsday Sept. 26, 1989

Crime: Soaring prison populations reflect a crackdown on drugs

"The record increase in the nation's prison population during the first six months of this year is scant cause to rejoice. But it indicates the overall tougher justice long needed against drug-related crime. Only the near-certainty of arrest and incarceration may deter would be criminals. Congress should provide swiftly the more than 24,000 new Federal prison beds President Bush wants. The states must scramble, too, for more such beds. Expanded prison facilities, whether at Federal, state or local level, are costly to be sure. But not having them could be a lot costlier, because they are basic to the tough justice required to reduce the nation's drug fed crime.

- The Cincinnati Enquirer Sept. 15, 1989

Residency and police pay

'A state arbitration panel has awarded Detroit police officers a 14 percent, \$48 million pay raise over three years. It's a budget-buating deciaion that heightens our opposition to arbitration of public employee wage disputes. But the arbitration panel noted that a major reason for the pay award is the city policy requiring police and firemen to live in Detroit. This residency requirement appears justifiable at first glance. If the city's money is good enough to take, goes the argument, then the city is good enough to live in. But the arbitrator's award makes clear that the requirement is imposing a substantial burden on city taxpayers. The arbitrator ruled that the poor condition of the city was determined a major justification for 'hazardous duty pay. Effectively managing city resources means adopting fresh ideas that discourage the destruction of the city. The award underlines the necessity of restoring Detroit as a decent place to live. In the meantime, however, the city doesn't have the luxury of demanding that its employees live within its boundaries.'

- The Detroit News Sept. 12, 1989

Ben Ward, professional cop

"Benjamin Ward had plenty of critics. At times he seemed to go out of his way to encourage them. But in nearly six years as New York City's Police Commissioner, Mr. Ward built a record of admirable law enforcement leadership. Ben Ward's most visible contribution to the city has been presence. He brought an impressive background to the job, but the fact that he was the first black ever to hold it also helped make the criminal justice system more credible to minority citizens. He never did manage to get over a tendency to shoot off his mouth. And there were times when loyalty to Mayor Koch clouded his judgment. Yet his basic grasp of the job remained strong, his professional instincts sound. He inherited a department suffering from lax discipline, lacking middle management to supervise thousands of new recruits. Under his command some brutality and misconduct continued, but his refusal to make excuses and his uncompromising insistence on professional standards limited the damage. Most important, he never lost his belief that the police can - and should - fight back even when the tide of crime and drugs seem overwhelming. Mr. Ward also became one of the nation's leading promoters of community patrol. While the initial effort has shown initial promise, community patrol has yet to realize its full potential. The spread of crack has absorbed too many police resources, and budget problems have prohibited in-creasing them. The need to develop community patrol remains a serious challenge for Mr. Ward's successor. Its introduction remains the invaluable legacy of a remarkable commissioner.'

- The New York Times Sept. 26, 1989

Bush drug war underfinanced

"If the nation truly is to wage a war against drugs, as President Bush decrees, then there must be more abundant financial resources in the arsenal than called for in his televised address. In prescribing what are relatively modest increases in anti-drug programs, Bush assured the nation that they can be financed with no increased taxes, thus sticking to his campaign promise. It is this refusal even to consider higher taxes that flaws his anti-drug program and casts an element of doubt on the depth of his commitment to this war, which he contends is essential to national security. We believe that, indeed, it is essential to the nation's security. That being the case, then it must be a full scale war, waged with sufficient funds. We believe there is ample support for tax increases that will finance an all-out, multi-faceted drug war without deepening the Federal budget deficit. George Bush needs to read the American people's lips.

Sept. 7, 1989

Marx:

Treading cautiously in a technological twilight zone

Move over Buck Rogers, Dick Tracy and Mr. Spock. Space-age technology has come to the criminal justice system. Recent developments in forensic molecular biology have brought us DNA "fingerprinting," a technique that its advocates claim offers certainty in the matching of genetic material found at a crime scene with that taken from a suspect. More than half the states are exploring plans to create computerized genetic data bases, and the FB1 is seeking to build a national computerized DNA index, for which those convicted of serious crimes will be required to provide blood and saliva samples.

Last month, in California's first DNA conviction, a Ventura County woman was found guilty of murder in a case that rested largely on 15 hairs found at the scene of the crime that matched her DNA patterns. "Without the DNA test results," said the judge in the case, there's not enough evidence.

In this euphoria of quick techno-fixes, it is possible to overlook short- and longrange problems. There are questions about the validity of DNA testing and about the standards that should be required for court use. An accurate match is no guarantee of legal guilt, and the tactic raises Fourth Amendment search and property ownership questions: Under what conditions should a DNA sample have to be provided, and who should control the findings?

But there is another problem - the

danger of "surveillance creep," in which an invasive technology, benignly introduced for limited purposes, ailently extends beyond those borders. Examples are everywhere: the Social Security number that Congress intended only for tax purposes has become a de facto national ID number; video cameras, once restricted to prisons and high security areas, are found in offices and shopping malls; the polygraph, once limited to national security violations, is now routinely applied to government employees and contractors; drug testing, once restricted to those working in nuclear power facilities, is now required of bank tellers and even junior high school students; a Congressional restriction on matching computer data bases only for purposes consistent with the original data collection has given way to widespread matching of data bases for any reason government chooses; the FBI's records of criminal histories, created as a crime-fighting tool, are now most frequently used to investigate job applicants, not crime.

Once a surveillance system is established, many factors extend it to new subjects and new uses. Economies of scale are created that reduce the per unit cost of such extensions. Precedent is Continued on Page 19

Gary T. Marx, a sociology professor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, is the author of "Undercover: Police Surveillance in America."

Letters

Your article "Two-wheeled Patrols Gaining in Popularity" (LEN, Aug. 15, 1989) reminded me that history offers some interesting comparisons.

My uncle, William T. Shaughnessy, badge number 4705, was a New York City police officer from May 1905 to April 1930. He was assigned to the then-Prospect Park precinct. For 20 years he rode a bicycle on patrol in Prospect Park. Somewhere in the family archives or those of the NYPD, I know, are photographs of The Finest on bikes. What is perhaps most interesting is that the officers 50 years ago wore full uniform — no shorts! The bikes had no gears, and were heavy, steel-framed two-wheelers that kept the riders in shape. While the sleek, modern 10- to 18-speed bikes can carry so much equipment, up to the 1930's Uncle Willie wore it all.

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To the editor:

As a psychologist, I concur with much of what I read in Ordway P. Burden's article "Police Psychology - With a

Capital 'P' " (LEN, May 31, 1989).

As our society becomes more and more burdened by the effects of stress on its individual citizens, it falls to police personnel to effectively handle a wide range of volatile human relations situations encountered in the field. Specialized training for officers in coping with stress their own and others - is becoming an increasingly vital component of police

By far, the most practical techniques I've ever found for understanding the origins of stress and how to deal with it comes from the writings of author and stress expert Vernon Howard. In his "Live Above This Crazy World" (send \$2.00 to the non-profit New Life Foundation, Dept. LE, Box 684, Boulder City, NV 89005), Mr. Howard writes: "Take a fresh and eager look at the power of learning something new about your mind... You will roam as free as a stream, enjoying everything, bothered by nothing.

I am happy to see this trend toward teaching police officers sound psychological principles. Thank you, Law Enforcement News, for your continued efforts toward more effective law enforcement.

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"I think it's necessary to realize that if you're hire from the outside, you have an automatic mandate that change is necessary."

So notes Mack Vines, who took command of a troubled Dallas Police Department some 15 months ago. At the time, racial tension was escalating, police shootings were high, the number of officers being shot was growing and police moonlighting policies had been tainted by a scandal that found its way into headquarters. Vines was selected as a result of a three-month national search that became necessary when the former chief abruptly walked off the job, indicating that he had had enough.

When it comes to change, Vines prefers to take things issue by issue. In some cases, the change must be made quickly, while in others a slow, methodical approach is best. For Vines, the area that needed immediate attention was police shootings. Dallas had been described by a Congressional subcommittee as leading the nation in police shootings. One of the first orders of business for Vines was to implement training initiatives that emphasized alternatives to deadly force. "There are times when an officer gets into a particular situation where

many of the alternatives cannot be used...but we do know that police officers can cause a lot of deadly force situations by hurrying too quickly," the Chief notes.

Another area that demanded quick attention was the strained relationship between the police and the city's minority community. As often happens in citics when police/community relations are frayed, there was an ongoing, sometimes bitter controversy in Dallas over a proposal to broaden the powers of a civilian review board. Vines notes, "I came out publicly against the proposed civilian review board because it would really take away the management responsibility of not only myself but the City Manager and the City Council." His public stance on the volatile issue evidently paid off, because voters defeated the proposal by a 4-to-1 margin in a citywide referendum. But the matter was not simply left to rest there. Noting that there were racial differences in voting patterns on the issue, Vines and his top staff have conducting a series of town hall meetings in districts that favored the expansion of the review board's powers, to explain how the departments is handling reports of police wrongdoing and to reassure residents that misconduct is nat being tolerated.

One of the issues that seemed to call for a slower, more methodical approach to change was the question of one-officer patrol cars, which were strongly opposed by the powerful Dallas Police Association. In a move that typifies the Vines management style, the Chief put "the people involved in that change in the role of creating the change itself." As a result, the Dallas Police Department will probably deploy a 60-40 ratio of one- and two-officer cars.

Vines' management style and philosophy of policing have evolved from a lifetime in law enforcement. He became Police Chief of St. Petersburg, Fla, after serving with that city's Police Department for 20 years. From there he moved on to become the chief in Charlotte, N.C., from 1980 to 1985. After a short stint with the U.S. Department of Justice as Director of the Bureau of Justice Assistance, he headed back to Florida to become chief of the Cape Corol Police Department in 1986, a position he held until the appointment in Dallas was announced last year. Earlier this year, he was elected president of the Police Executive Research Forum, the Washington-based organization of major-city chiefs.

"The neighborhoods are now being cleaned up and people are finally coming out from behind their burglar bars. Basketball is being played on the courts instead of drugs being dealt. I just hope it continues."

Mack M. Vines

Police Chief of Dallas, Tex.

Law Enforcement News interview by Marie Simanetti Roaen

LAW ENFORCEMENT NEWS: Just over a year ago, you toak command of a department that bad the dubiaus distinction af being ranked number-one in the natian by a Houae Judiciary subcommittee for palice ahaatings per 100,000 populatian. What policiea ar procedurea have yau implemented to change things?

VINES: The department has always had an effective use-of-force and deadly force policy, and has provided adequate training for those. What we have done is to enhance and strengthen that training even a bit more, by taking some of the strong points of other agencies' policies and molding them to Dallas. There's a lot of accountability and control mechanisms that exist now.

LEN: Such as?

VINES: Well, through the training initiatives what we have done is to make certain that the officers realize that although we do not without a doubt ever want to com-

promise their safety at all, they must use deadly force as a last resort, and they must use alternative measures. Those alternative measures consist of backing away from the situation if at all possible, taking cover or calling for additional assistance, calling for supervisors, whatever it might be, and if it's a person that's barricaded in a particular area, to call for tactical assistance—not to just storm into a particular situation without taking due caution. We hold the people accountable for those alternatives. There are times when an officer gets into a particular situation where many of the alternatives cannot be used—maybe none of them can be used. But we do know that police officers can cause a lot of deadly force situations by hurrying too quickly into a scene before they take alternative measures.

LEN: Just this past July you fired an afficer for failing to uae "reasonable alternatives to deadly force" in the shooting of a Hispanic man wba wandered inta a search far an auto-tbeft suspect. Were you using this incident as a way af shawing that you mean business when it comes ta use of farce?

VINES: I don't think so. Each case is treated on its own merits. Of course it's difficult to discuss that particular case in print because the appellate process is ongoing, but alternatives must be exercised the best way possible. This particular case is one where if certain steps had been taken to try to get more information to hold back a little bit more, to judge the scene and circumstances surrounding it a little better, there is a good possibility that the ultimate outcome would have different than it was.

LEN: Has the police union taken up this officer's case?

VINES: Oh sure. They're concerned about that, but the issue is that deadly force, of course, is something that all law enforcement people deal with. They join the department and they obviously know it's not a Sunday school class, and that they're going to be confronted with issues. They want the freedom and flexibility — and they need that — to exercise their discretion and judgment, but when you shoot your weapon and ultimately take someone's life, well obviously in any law enforce-



"We want officers to be very cautious when they approach things, and realize that there could be a deadly force situation developing at any time, but we surely don't want them to be overly aggressive and help to cause it."

Continued from Page 13 ment agency they should prepare themselves for questions.

A lot of restraint

LEN: Given the escalating level of violence in the country today, could an increase in police shootings he simply a reflection of increased violence in society as a whole?

VINES: It could very well be. We do have an awful lot of automatic weapons and extensive firepower that we're confronted with on a day-to-day basis in a city of this size. Of course, the case we just talked about is one where we have an unarmed man walking along and sort of acting suspicious. That doesn't have anything to do with a crime; there's no crime being committed at all. But today, in cities of like size and population, we're experiencing a lot of drug activity, and with drugs come firearms, and with firearms come greed and anger and death. So we want our officers to be very cautious when they approach things, and realize that there could be a deadly force situation developing at any given time, but we surely don't want them to be overly aggressive and help to cause it. In essence, our police officers — and this is very important for your readers to realize — are very well trained, and we have a lot of discretion here, but we also have a lot of restraint in how we mete out force. I'm quite proud of this department and its members.

LEN: Have you noted any decrease in police shootings since you became chief?

VINES: Well, I really don't know. We've not seen that many, and fortunately — we continue to cross our fingers — we've had no police officers killed this year in the line of fire. We had two police officers killed in January during a chase. Last year, on the other hand, we had five police officers killed by firearms. I think that our shootings of other individuals is not exorbitant either.

LEN: The January 1988 killing of Officer John Chase—a white cop killed by a black vagrant as byatanders watched and egged on the assailant—seemed to typify the distrust that the minority community had for the Dallas Police Department. Have race relations improved since then?

VINES: We've seen a significant positive turn in relations. That's caused, I believe, by our department this past year being more willing to discuss issues and being available to meet with various and sundry sections of the community to listen to their problems and concerns. Those that are realistic, we implement, and we try to diminish and defuse any kind of concern that they might have — not to the point of compromising our profession and our mission at all. It's just being available and willing to discuss things with the community. I've seen a positive effect this past year with the community, with the media, with elected officials, with the business community, and with all segments of normal neighborhoods.

LEN: Is there a specific mechanism in place to accomplish this? Or, perhaps, are officers generally more

cognizant of the importance of community relationa?

VINES: It'a the latter. It's extremely important that all officera realize that they exist to serve the community, and that this is not an adventure - it's really a necessary endeavor that they've involved themaelves in, and it's the most rewarding profession, I believe, in the world today, because of the various and sundry things we're called upon to perform. They must be able to relate and police through empathy. Dallas has had this philosophy for yeara. You can have one, two or three celebrated or tragic situations develop and all of a sudden things seem to mushroom and a lot of negatives seem to surface. But they've had storefront substations in our six divsisions, and we're going to be up to about 11 or 12 aubstations in the neighborhoods. They've been meeting and greeting with people, and they've been involved in community activities for years, and we're heavily involved in it now. Our biggest problem is our workload and calls for service and the shortage of resources.

LEN: How acceasible are you personally to the public?

VINES: Very accessible to them, through the media and through speeches I give to neighborhood groups and civic groupa. I have a town hall-type meeting tonight in one area of town, where there will probably be 75 to 100 people present. My entire staff and I will be there. Basically what we're doing is maintaining a high profile with all the communities throughout Dallas. It's time-consuming, but that's the nature of the beast. We have to be out there listening to what they have to say, and they have to understand us and realize that we're not apart from the community, rather we're a part of the

Policing the police

LEN: For more than a year there has been a heated controversy over the civilian review board — apecifically the extent of suhpoena powers for the hoard and the creation of an inveatigative ataff. An amendment to the city charter went hefore the votera this past May on the

far, with the fourth being tonight, as I mentioned. We talk about other issues, too, not just that. We open up for Q&A and we have about a two-bour discussion with them.

LEN: So you're of the helief that the police can investigate themselves in a credible way?

VINES: Without a doubt. I feel we know how to police our own, and as long as we do it fairly and equitably, then I think it's appropriate. When we deviate away from that consistency, then we need to be questioned.

LEN: How is the community or any other outside group to know if in fact it's being done fairly and equitably, as you termed it?

VINES: Well, there's other appellate avenues to travel. They can go to Civil Service, they can go to the City Manager's office, they can file other types of complaints with the District Attorney. If we can identify those particular problems that a citizen feels have occurred, and if we can rectify those and let them know how and why it occurred and what we've done to prevent it in the future, then more often than not the citizens are satisfied.

Speaking out

LEN: One major-city chief we spoke to — one who also got caught up in a civilian review controversy — took a posture of atepping back from the public dehate and letting the legislators, the police union and the public decide the matter. Since you apparently took a different approach and made your viewa known, do you think that your public atand on this issue made a difference in the outcome?

VINES: I think they would have turned it down anyway. Obviously being the Chief of Police and coming out with the statement that I did and the 13-item rebuttal against the proposal surely convinced some people, but in general everybody exercises a different management style. I feel it necessary to inform the public in regards to the proper issues, especially those that are

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subject of the review hoard. Where do mattera now stand?

VINES: It was soundly defeated, 4-1. The current civilian review board remains in existence with the same subpoena powers - namely that a certain majority of those have to vote to subpoena particular individuals and what have you. There's no real investigative arm of it. I came out publicly against the proposed civilian review board because it would really take away the management responsibility of not only myself but the City Manager and the City Council, and it would circumvent the process I feel is effective now. I have always yearned for the utopia where we can police our own effectively and everybody understands and trusts our decisions when we mete them out. We have to continue to try to do that through our internal affairs initiatives, making certain that we're consistent and we're fair with our decisions - not only for the officers but for the citizens themselves.

LEN: And apparently the community has spoken in thia case...

VINES: Well, that's what we also saw, and that's the reason I set up four town hall meetings. For example, there was definitely a racial difference in the vote. There were certain precincts that reported significant voting in favor of the new proposal. That would tell me that either these voters don't understand our current system, or else maybe they have a personal issue that they haven't been able to express but would like to have a forum to express that opinion. So what we did was meet with our community relations groups from each of our divisions, which consist of citizens, and we met with four of our divisions in the city where the voting precincts were located. We're having town hall meetings at each one of those four districts to explain our internal affairs operations, to explain the complaint procedure, to explain the current civilian review board, and really to explain what the proposed version was. We've been received very well so far in the three that I've been to so

going to adversely affect the Police Department in its meting out of corrective action and its personnel management, for example. It's difficult to sit back and let issues occur.

With the alleged or actual strained relationships with the community in the past in '88, and with my feeling that that relationship has improved between ourselves and the minority community, and with the profile that we've maintained, and then with me coming out with my open statements against the civilian review board which the majority of the minority community allegedly or actually wanted - that has not adversely affected our relationships with the community at all. So that tells me that our relationships with the community are solid. We have a lot of work to do, as always, but it's moving in the right direction. So coming out publicly against an issue is not that bad, as long as you're doing as much as you can properly overall. It's not just me; it's the staff, too. We have a tremendous staff here. And then with affirmative action - affirmative action is a law here in our city, where we have to meet so many goals and numbers. It's something like 25 percent black and 15 percent female and 10 percent Hispanic, and we've met those goals. That goes for the staff promotions as well, the exempt ranks.

LEN: Affirmative action policies often lead to lawauita and to claims of reverae discrimination. Has any of this come home to roost in your department?

VINES: It has an adverse effect on morale, as it would. There are three concerns for promotion, namely that they're recommended for promotion by their sergeants and by the profiles that we develop on individual candidates, and that they're qualified, and then the affirmative action consideration. Once we meet what we call a manifesting imbalance — and we don't have a manifesting imbalance anymore — then we can deviate from having to move down and away from an existing list in order to pick a minority candidate. To pass over obviously upsets those who are being passed over. It's unfortunate; I wish we didn't have to have affirmative ac-

LEN interview: Dallas Chief Mack Vines

tion, because it would he like a utopia where everyhody is tested, everyhody's qualified, and everybody competes without any discrimination at all. But let me tell you: The last hlack captain that was promoted was in 1970 in the Dallas Police Department. I came here and there were two minority people on the management staff, one a black and the other a Hispanic. No females. Now we have blacks and Hispanics and females as well as Caucasians. Things haven't happened in the past here in Dallas, so mayhe we've been righting a wrong, and affirmative action was designed to right that wrong. Yet we do have patrolmen and sergeants and lieutenants who are concerned about heing passed over. We might even end up in Federal court over the affirmative action plan set by the city as it relates to manifesting imhalances.

LEN: In a landmark ruling in 1986, the Supreme Court let at and an appellate decialon upholding the Dallas Police Department's college-education requirements for entry-level officers. Do you still have those requirements?

VINES: It's still 45 hours of college minimum throughout the department.

Talent-scouting

LEN: The Police Executive Research Forum, of which you're now the president, recently issued a report that said college education requirements are not inherently discriminatory or an impediment to minority hiring. In your experience in Dallas, do you find that to be the case?

VINES: It could make it more difficult for all races to hecome police officers, because obviously those people with less than 45 hours of college are unable even to apply. What you're doing is you're culling out a lot of would-be qualified applicants with a year of school, which is about 30 hours. You're culling out a good section of people as a resource pool to choose from, hut then again we surely don't want to diminish our standards at all. We're having a difficult time in attracting a lot of candidates because we're in a competitive mode with the Federal Government and other agencies of this size, and we've got to keep our pay and benefits and amenities to the point where people are attracted to us. There's also the negative publicity that we've been experiencing in '87 and '88, which doesn't help us either. But like I say, it's turning, and we're in a big recruitment drive right now. We've been awarded 150 officers last year and 150 coming up this month for the next fiscal year, so we're in a big drive, and we're also exerting a lot of effort to reduce our attrition in the depart-

LEN: What'a the nature of the problems you're facing with attrition? A mass exodus of experienced officers?

VINES: Not exactly. I think it's anywhere from 4 to 6 percent attrition within the department. We just haven't come up to the strength necessary to handle the workload that we're experiencing. So therefore if we haven't come up to the actual strength necessary to handle the workload, and people are still attriting themselves out, well then obviously we're way hehind. We're down about 170 police officers now.

LEN: So the I50 you're getting is harely enough to hreak even...

VINES: That's just to maintain the status quo. But the issue is that people leave for various reasons. The pension plan is one of the reasons that retirees are leaving, because they came up with an enhanced pension initiative last year, and so it's more attractive to retire and get another joh. Then there's people who leave for personal reasons, and forced attrition hy failing the academy or failing training or heing terminated. There's many reasons why people leave, but we're not experiencing any more attrition than most cities, I don't think. The issue is that we haven't gotten up to an optimum strength to handle our workload yet, so when we continue to attrite, as I mentioned hefore, it keeps us below the workload level.

LEN: What impact has the economic alump in the oil industry had on hudget mattera in Dallas?

VINES: It's heen a limitation, because the tax revenues and tax hase are reduced as businesses have closed up. We've experienced a reduction of our tax hase in Dallas for the last two years. Therefore if you don't have the revenues that are necessary to keep the economy going and meet cost-of-living increases and so forth, you either have to reduce services or you have to increase our Our City Manager submitted a proposal to increase our hudget by \$10 million, up to about \$166 million — to the detriment of some of the other agencies. Some remained status quo, and some received a reduction. He also recommended a two-cent increase in taxes in order to accommodate some of tlese needs.

LEN: Do you think you'll get the extra money?

VINES: I think we'll get that and even more, because the City Council is looking at a four-cent or more increase in taxes and to raise police benefits between 3 and 6 percent, along with adding police officers and adding shift differentials and other henefits. It's a good year for having a corner on the market.

Time trials

LEN: Last spring, Mayor Annette Strauss stated publicly that the Police Department's emergency response time of 12 minutes wasn't good enough. Has that figure heen improved at all?

VINES: I think we have. We have two kinds of response times: emergency response time and priority-one response time. Our emergency response time is about six to seven minutes, and we hope to get that down to about five. Those are the life-threatening issues that are occurring right now. The priority-one calls are running anywhere from 9 to 12 minutes, and we hope to get that down to seven to nine minutes. We're improving on that a bit, but we're not to the point that we should be. Once we look at our resources and deploy a bit better, and clean some of the blue out of the inside of the huilding and civilianize more to put police officers out on the

"Response time is not solely the responsibility of law enforcement. More often than not, a fast response is not going to deter anything or stop anything."

police here.

LEN: It has been reported that Dallas has one of the least reatrictive policies in the country regarding off-duty employment. Ia that atill true?

VINES: I think we're pretty restrictive now. We've tightened up some of it a bit and made it a hit more accountable. We're continuing to review it. It's those types of issues that are very personal and very emotional, and you have to move slowly and methodically when you come in and createchange. You have to get the people that are actually involved in the activity into the change initiative itself, hecause you have to make sure it's acceptable. But I don't know of any studies regarding its heing the most lenient, or less restrictive.

LEN: What reatrictions are now in place?

VINES: The accountability, the monies, who can solicit for jobs — it's all recorded internally now, centrally located as opposed to the officers' doing their own. Hours have been restricted, and we've identified the different types of areas where people can work — non-alcoholic areas, and places such as that.

LEN: How ahout off-duty security joba?

VINES: They can provide security in different places. They've just got to make certain that it's the type of places we want them to work in. We don't want them to work in places where we might be working criminal cases, because the police officer might not know that. It could be intelligence, it could be undercover operations — we don't want them compromising their positions or ours. I wish we didn't have to have moonlighting, hut if you give anybody \$5,000, they'll just up their style of living to accommodate that level and then ask for more. They want to work the secondary employment. And the public wants them to work there, too; they feel comfortable with that uniform around.

LEN: They're moonlighting in uniform?

VINES: Oh, sure they do. The people are hiring the uniform, not the hody. They want the authority.

LEN: And all moonlighting ia now centrally controlled?

VINES: In other words, we know where they're working and when they're working and things like this, and the types of jobs they're in. As an example, if a husiness wanted Officer X to work at their place because of his experience or because he knows the operation of the husiness, that officer or that business must now notify the Police Department centrally to clear it. We also have a rotation list, whereby a person can turn down so many jobs and then they go down to the hottom of the list, and each person now has an opportunity to get involved in a job, as opposed to some people dominating the jobs and

street, and analyze our call load and increase our expediter calls where we handle calls over the talephone, and also hetter prioritize our calls on a five-tier hasis within Communications and get rid of those 911 hangup calls on public talephones, which are about 43,000 a year, and work on our false-alarm calls, then I think we will reduce the workload, hopefully, and better manage that, and better deploy, and increase our one-man cars—again, without compromising any safety of officers. We'll get a hetter feel for our workload out there and our people, and we'll free up people to answer calls and hopefully our response time will come down to an acceptable figure.

But you have to realize that all of us in law enforcement know that response time is not solely the responsibility of law enforcement. More often than not, a fast response is not going to deter anything or stop any thing. Quite often it won't even catch the people, because it's the victim mobilization time that we always have to concentrate on. This goes hack to the Kansas City studies years ago, that we need to mobilize the victim to call us more rapidly. There is sometimes a 15-, 20or 30-minute lapse before they decide to call us, and hy the time we arrive it's ludicrous. But if we get a call of a man with a gun or an armed robbery in progress, these are things happening now and we've got to get there. And no matter what we know statistically to he good or bad or effective or ineffective, we still have the perception of the community. They want you there as soon as they hang up the phone. They'd like to see you drive up as they're talking to you.

What we're doing also is we have cellular phones in all of our cars now, and they're able to call the citizen hack and talk to the citizen. They can get more information over the phone from them and get it out of Communications, get it out of that queue time so that the queue environment can be freed up to dispatch more calls. So with our MDT's [mohile digital terminals] and our cellular phones and all these various other toys that we've got in the cars.

LEN: How do you educate the citizens who might be demanding rapid response for even minor calls?

VINES: We've got to go through an educative mode initiative through the media and also through written procedures — maybe through enclosures with their water hills, using a very definitive flyer. We have to explain to all citizens that these are the priorities that we have and that you would much rather us come to your home if it's a burglary in progress as opposed to "I think my hike was stolen yesterday" type of call. We have to explain that we might even have to be making appointments with you tomorrow or the next day to answer this call, or you can send this information in to us hecause this is all we need. And if this is for insurance purposes, these are the steps you should take and you can call us on the phone and we'll take it over our expediter unit, which

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has police officera answering the calls. So yes, it'll have to take a positive attitudinal change, hopefully, on the part of the public. But if someone really demanda a car, we'll give them one as quick as we can, but then again we've got to realize that we nave to go to those lifethreatening things as quick as possible.

LEN: A few months ago, a Dallas district judge ordered the department to release felony suspects after 72 hours unless formal charges are filed. What effect has that ruling had on your operations?

VINES: I don't think it's been that negative, but the issue that I feel it speaks to is the crowded condition of the jails. We don't have holding cells within the central department here or throughout any of our divisions. Wa take ours directly to the county jail. It causes a problem if you run into a three-day weekend. If you put some-body in there and you can't file, your 72 hours are going to expire. The contiguous cities, the smaller areas that have holding cells, they can put them in there and thay don't go on the clock. They get all their paperwork done and they can file on these cases, but they don't go on the clock until they put them in the county jail. Than the 72-hour clock starts. What we were going to do is fila directly with the District Attorney's office, but then of course the District Attorney ssys, "My God, what a workload that's going to be" - because the majority of the people going to jail are coming from Dallas P.D. anyway, just due to mere size. We're adhering to the decision. But we're monitoring to see if it's having any adverse affect on our cases. We surely would't want them to release somebody that shouldn't be released, just because we weren't able to get the paperwork there. I mean, if we're dragging our feet, then we've got to step up our procedures. But I think we've taken enough precautionary steps to make certain that we don't run amuck with the decision.

A CLEAN city

LEN: You have a reputation for putting emphasia on quality of life issues, which to a certain extent must entail cooperation with other municipal agencies. Have you forged any such partnerships with other Dallas city agencies thus far?

VINES: Sure. We've got a CLEAN operation here that's Community Law Enforcement Against Narcotics and we've identified nine target areas of high crime and high narcotic-dealing activity. In doing so we involved all other city departments from Streets and Sanitation to Housing Development to Human Services, the Fire Department, the Water Department and everybody else. What we're doing is we're trying to change the quality of life back to where it used to be, and basically recover it from the criminals. What we do is we identify the target areas, we make cases, we buy drugs, we get search warrants and arrest warrants for the people in that area. Then through our intelligence we identify when those peopla are present and we hit. We sweep the police in there for a six-week period of time, and while we're there we bring in all tha other departments to clean up the area. We've hit four so far, and we've been very successful in those four areas. We create a balloon effect, but our intelligence follows that effect also to the degree that it's having an effect on some

LEN: In many citiea, it's often claimed that auch police programa are great while they're in place, hut once the police leave it's hack to husineas as usual for criminala and drug dealera...

VINES: Yeah, but that's what we didn't want to have happen. This is similar to community policing and all these different types of programs that exist. We felt we really had to get the other city departments involved, and various county and state departments as well. We've demolished houses, we've put in secondary homes, we're finding homes and jobs for people, things like that. So it's a law enforcement program, but it's not just that. Now other communities in Dallas are asking, "When are we going to get our CLEAN operation?" You've got to stay with it. If you don't, it will revert back. We've been fortunate here in that the First Assistant City Manager sits in on weekly meetings we have for our CLEAN operation. All city departments that are

involved, all their directora, meet with us. It's not faltering at all — so far.

LEN: Who coordinates the effort?

VINES: The police.

LEN: City agenciea have been known to get rather territorial with each other, particularly when it comea close to hudget time. Are you folka getting along with each other?

VINES: Very well. Take Streets and Sanitation. We had some flooding here last May, and a lot of problems with the streets and the drainage and things of this nature. We had to hold off on one of our CLEAN operations. The director called me and said, "Can we hold off on this? I'm strapped with overtime trying to clean up these streets." I said no problem. So we hold off on hitting the neighborhood, but meanwhile our guys are still building up cases and we'll put it in a holding pattern for may be a week or two max. As soon as the director of Streets and Sanitation can release soma crews and he's ready to go, we hit, and in comes aanitation after us with bulldozers and street sweepers and these other machines. That's the kind of coordination that we have.

LEN: Have the drug dealers and criminals come hack to cleaned-up areas?

VINES: They've come back a few times, and they've been moved out again. A lot of the community has finally gotten up in arms over it and they're taking a lot of it into their own hands. It goes back to the "Broken Windows" idea of a few years ago. They get a torn-up neighborhood and what have you, and that's where they're going to prey and that's where they're going to stay. But the neighborhoods are now being cleaned up and

or anybody else would have coming in from outside is to create that bonding with the people within the department. I've been here a year and I haven't done it yet. I'm meeting with officers every two weeks in my office — 5 to 10 of them — and I meet on a quarterly basis with all ranks within the department. My staff and I ride with officera in their cars and go out on calls with them. It's that profile you have to maintain, and answering questions. After a few miles of riding, maybe an hour or so, they open up with you. There have been no negative replies from the officers; they think it's great. And the executive staff tells me, "I didn't know all that stuff was happening out there."

LEN: Was reorganizing the department part of your prescription for reform?

VINES: Sure. I set up different divisions. Administration and Operations appeared to be too fragmented at the time, and a bit flat and spread out. I centralized it a bit more and made it a bit more vertical. I moved internal affairs and inspections directly into my office. It answers directly to me. I created an assistant chief position for that particular initiative — Professional Standards, as we call it. I think we've got a better flow and a better accountability for like work and like assignments, things like that. We've been in it now since November, and I see a number of areas I'd like to fine-tune, moving this function here and changing that function there and making certain that things flow well.

LEN: From the perapective of a change agent, how did you navigate your way through last year's controversy over one-officer patrola?

VINES: I gave the responsibility for implementing that to an assistant chief who happened to be in charge at the time that all patrols went to two-member cars. He's still

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people are finally coming out from behind their burglar bars and venturing outside. Basketball is being played on the courts instead of drugs being dealt. It's exciting; I just hope it continues.

Prescription for reform

LEN: It'a heen aaid that you were hrought in to Dallas aa a reform chief. Given your hackground in other agenciea, have you formulated any guidelinea as to how to reform a department, or how to he a reform chief?

VINES: I think it's necessary to realize that if you're hired from the outside, you have an automatic mandate that change is necessary. You either adapt or you continue to have a change-agent attitude. And in order to create change within an organization, you obviously have to move slowly and methodically - sometimes fast, depending on the issue at hand — but the best way to have change accepted, because we're all creatures of habit and we're reluctant to change, is to get the people that are involved in a particular initiative involved in the change itself. Pick their brains and get their ideas, and more often than not people have been looking for change to begin with, because the only difference between a rut and a groove is the depth. So they might feel that same way as you do; they may be looking for change secretively and confidentially.

But the issue is that you've got to treat people humanely and through empathy. You adjust to the locale that you go to, but you really don't compromise your convictions for convenience. Hopefully, through experience you have the knowledge of what's right and wrong and what's appropriate and you try to stay up to the state of the art of issues, and you really identify those people within the department that will help you create that change. You develop and involve a good staff, and properly delegate and give them the freedom and flexibility to move. All that sounds like it's very easy, but it isn't very easy at all. It's very difficult and you create this element of unknown and uneasiness among people. The most difficult job that I would have

currently on the department here - a very effective, very capable person. So I put him in charge of this committee to look at the one-member/two-member car system, and to come up with a feasible plan and a feasible ratio of ones and twos, based on the current workload and priorities. I wanted him to come up with a crosssection of tenure and race and sex and Dallas Police Association experience, then go into a room and come up with a plan. And they did. We put the people involved in that change in the role of creating the change itself. So those who were actually instrumental in implementing that original change back in February of last year were instrumental in helping to change that particular issue. It's much more palatable than it would be if it were mandated out of my office. We'll probably be going to a 60-40 ratio of one-member and two-member cars. But that depends on where you are; there may be some places in the city where you'd like to have three people in the cars.

LEN: What you just described sounds very democratic in a law enforcement context, and seems to speak to a new wave in policing...

VINES: It's not that new. You have quality-circles initiatives and things like that in some areas. There are an awful lot of issues that have to be mandated, where you don't need an awful lot of study on the issues. You try to keep a balance of the three different styles of management: autocratic, democratic, and laissez-faire. Basically your more balanced managers and leaders are usually those with a bit of all of those. There are times when you have to be an autocrat, though; no doubt about it.

LEN: How would you characterize the relationship hetween yourself and the police union?

VINES: Well, we have three different organizations here. We have the DPA, which is not a union at all, and it is the largest organization, with about 2,400 or 2,500 members. There's the Texas Police Officers Association, which is predominantly a black and minority association, and then we have the newly formed AFL-

Interview: Dallas Police Chief Mack Vines

CIO union, which they say has 400 or 500 members. The relationships between my office and those three entities is typical management-labor. There are strained relationships in certain circles and in certain circumstances or over certain issues. I meet on a regular basis with the two associations. I don't meet on a regular basis with the union; we do not have collective bargaining here. There was a concern, for example, about our use-of-force policy, with the officers not understanding the policy and the alternatives that they could use. Actually, I don't know if it was so much not understanding it as opposed to disagreeing it. So I asked the presidents of all three groups to meet with me, and they did, and at my request they each brought two people from their groups, so now nine of them are sitting down with management to study this policy. I said as long as the philosophy exists in the policy, then they can write it to tha degree that it's acceptable and they can actually understand it. So we're meeting with them as we speak. We still have a management-labor division here, and that's unfortunate. We're constantly trying to mend those particular problems that we have, but it takes a while. You 'll make a decision that'll enhance one as opposed to tha other, and vice versa. You've just got to make a decision that's going to benefit the department as a whole, and not any one particular individual or any one particular group. As long as you can feel comfortable that your decision is based on the facts that you've been given, and that it's going to benefit the department as a whole and the mission that we provide to the community - that might sound a little melodramatic, but that's how I think - then you're able to rest easy at night when you go home.

I just want to make certain that your readers realize, though, that Dallas has an outstanding department. I'm quite impressed with the people that are here, and with the community, and also with the wherewithal that the people here have to perform. It is an outstanding department. It's probably one of the best-educated major-city

departments in the country. We have the state-of-the-art in so many things, and what we're doing now is we'ra working on people, because it's a service-oriented function. It's turning in a positive direction.

Chief of chiefs

LEN: You were elected earlier this year as president of the Police Executive Research Forum, succeeding Neil Beban, whose leaderabip of PERF, aome aay, will be a tough act to follow. What plans do you have for the

organization, as I described earlier. I want to pick the brains of the people who are involved.

LEN: Are you likely to be an actively involved in the guncontrol issue as Chief Behan was?

VINES: I have the same type of philosophy, I think, as most chiefs in the country. Our police officers are confronted with an awful lot of weapons that they haven't been confronted with before, especially in the drug environment. I openly supported the President's embargo on importation of these unnecessary assault weapons. I understand that we've got sportsmen, and all semiauto-

"We have the state-of-the-art in so many things, and now we're working on people, because it's a service-oriented function."

VINES: Well, obviously to continue the direction that Neil and John Duffy before him have sat. Also, to stay on top of the legislative issues and involve tha entire membership in as many issues as we can that will positively affect all of our departments and law anforcement in general. We've enhanced the membership numbers and I intend to continue that. We've broadened our base of the types of people wa're bringing into the organization, without lowering standards at all. We have an awful lot of talent in there. When I look at the list of all the people in the organization, there's an awful lot of new names and new faces, and it's going to be exciting, I think, over the next couple years for PERF. I want the membership involved in an awful lot of issues; I think that's very important. It's the same thing as running an matic weapons cannot be completely eliminated, because most of your shotguns and things that they bird-hunt and deer-hunt with are semiautomatics. So there has to be thorough review of those issues, as there has been. I'm more concerned with who has the weapons than I am with the weapons themsalves. I think it should be just as difficult to get a weapon as it is to get a driver's license, and you should be continually tested and reviewed. I think that's very important. I'm more for gun safety as opposed to gun control. I don't mind anybody having a gun in their home, but it should he safe so that we protect the children and other peopla in the home. I'm very concerned with people carrying guns around the community. because I don't think it's necessary to do so. Thia isn't

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Justices go word by word through Miranda

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A sentence-hy-sentence analysis of this section does not support Marshall's conclusion. The first sentence clearly states Eagan's right to an attorney hefore questioning. The next sentence states that Eagan is entitled to "this" right even if he cannot afford one. The word "this" unequivocably refers to Eagan's right to counsel prior to questioning. Therefore, Eagan was clearly informed that he had a right to counsel, even if he could not afford it, prior to any questioning. This, then, leads to the opposite of Marshall's conclu-

The issue of the "if and when" language, however, raises an interesting issue. There is a distinction hetween a suspect's Sixth Amendment right to counsel, which only attaches when he is formally charged with a crime, and the suspect's right to have counsel present to protect his Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination. Rehnquist interprets the "if and when" language to refer to Eagan's Sixth Amendment right to counsel, while Marshall interprets the clause as creating an ambiguity as to Eagan's right to

Unfortunately for the police officers who must "reasonably convey" the warnings, hoth interpretations appear reasonable with the advantage of hindsight and upon a detailed examination of the warnings. However, the real issue ahould he whether the warnings, as given, clearly conveved the suspect's right to

counsel hefore questioning.

Rehnquist concluded that the warnings were adequate. Whether such a conclusion would apply in the future in similar but not identical aituations is unclear. The one thing that remains clear is that the standard Miranda warnings are still effective, and there is no reason for not using them. The message to police officers in this case is "if it's not hroken, don't fix it."

Notea from "Firat Monday"

On Oct. 2, the Supreme Court reconvened for its traditional "first Monday in October" beginning of a new term. Among the actions taken during this first session, the Justices agreed to rule on the constitutionality of police use of sobriety checkpoints to screen for drunken drivers.

Sobriety checkpoints, an in-

an attorney under the Fifth creasingly popular law enforcement tactic against drunken drivers, have met with mixed reviews thus far from appellate courts around the country. Of the 30 state appellate courts that have considered the question of whether the checkpoints are permissible under the Fourth

Amendment, 23 have upheld the practice. In the case accepted for review hy the Supreme Court, Michigan v. Sitz (No. 88-1897), a state appellate court declared the checkpoints unconstitutional.

Stay tuned for updates on this and other law enforcementrelated cases before the Supreme Court as the new term unfolds.

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Indiana police get new power to enforce protection orders for battered women

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up with mandatory arrest. It's still probable cause and is up to the discretion of the officer."

What it did really was to criminalize violations of the protective order," added Jill Chambers, a vice president of the Indiana chapter of the National Organization for Women, 'hecause hefore that it was just a civil matter and it was very hard to get enforced.

The law, enacted during the summer, created a new Class B misdemeanor called "invasion of privacy." It applies to those who 'knowingly' violate not only protective orders, hut also temporary restraining orders, any order issued as a condition of pretrial release or diversion or probation orders requiring that a person refrain from any direct or indirect contact with another person.

According to a directive on the new law issued by the Indianapolis Police Department, police officers may arrest a violator on the basis probable cause, hy comparing the terms of the order with either the violator's actions as observed hy an officer or "actions. . .related to [the officer] by a credible third person."

The directive notes that the new misdemeanor is an additional exception to the "in your presence" guidelines required for misdemeanor arrests.

"This means that if you have credible information amounting to prohable cause to believe the violator has violated the terms of the order, the violator can be arrested even if the violation itself did not occur in your presence,"

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The statute requires the creation of a "protective order depository" in each law enforcement agency to allow officers access to the status of protective orders. Indiana is currently setting up a computer data bank accessible to local police agencies to track and update the status of protective orders issued by the courts.

Prior to the new law's enactment, an ahuse victim would have to file a report with the court that issued the protective order. A hearing would determine whether a violation actually occurred, and if so, a contempt warrant would be issued to the violator, to be served by the civil sheriff, said Officer Andrew Gillespie of the Indianapolis Police Department's Planning and Research Unit.

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established; what was once seen as a sbocking intrusion comes to be seen as business as usual. Interest groups lobby for expansion. The surveillance appetite becomes insatiable, both as a bureaucratic end in itself and as an insurance policy.

To be sure, sometimes the camel's nose is pushed back from under the tent. Thus, following Watergate and revelations about the FBI's COINTEL program. policies were changed and the number of domestic nationalsecurity investigations dropped from thousands to fewer than 50 a year. Director William S. Sessions recently rejected a proposal to expand the FBI's automated criminal records system to include information on people who were under auspicion but had not actually been charged with anything. But such cases of restraint are the exception.

In the case of mandatory DNA fingerprinting, one can imagine its creeping from violent to nonviolent criminals, then to anyone having contact with the criminal justice system, and finally to everyone. In the latter case, this might initially be voluntary and only for purposes of identification, as protection for missing children and for amnesia or Alzheimer's victims. Success numerically expressed national DNA standard for all Americans. which could find its way onto all the documenta that make up our "data image" in distant computers.

New uses also may appear. There is no reason why the technique has to be restricted to the limited number of DNA strands used for identification. Information on one's complete genetic makeup will be available. This could lead to coercive therapy in the name of prevention, the denial of certain types of employment, insurance or aven the right to have children by those whose genetic makeup indicates they may be prona to particular illnesses or forms of anti-social behavior. With that could come a permanently stigmatized genetic underclass, with enormous moral -sidered. With respect to this techand social costs.

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nology, we are now in the twilight zone that Justice William O. combinant DNA was suspended Douglas wrote about in noting until appropriate laboratory that the protection of liberty is guidelines could be developed. It not self-executing: "As nightfall might now be appropriate to does not come at once, neither declare a social moratorium on does oppression. . . . It is in such the use of DNA data bases for twilight that we all must be aware public-policy purposas while the of change in the air - however legal, ethical, social and slight - lest we become unwit-

The ups and downs of policing's future

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racist or not? "My guess is that not many police departments around the country give it much thought, nor

have they employed any means by which to assess that particular characteristic." In addition, Tafoya said, the

nation's police "need to start training right now" in order to counter the deluge of computerrelated crime be anticipates during the 1990's. Tafoya said the computer industry estimates the numbers of computers in use will quadruple during that decade.

"I don't think law enforcement is aware of the degree that the problem is going to manifest itself, nor are they prepared to

crime," said Tafoya. It could taka up to five years of additional training for police officers to gain the computer literacy needed to investigate such crimes, he added.

"So if we see computer-related crime on the horizon — and it is the police have a window of opportunity within which to do something about that shortcoming if they choosa to do so. And they need to do it very soon," he said.

Drug Abuse's Roots

Tafoya went on to note that the drug problem "is not soon going to subside" and that the root causes of drug abuse need to be addressed.

'Almost no amount of law en-

tha problem." he said. "So long as the way in which wa fail to deal with underlying social issues remains as it is, then we're likely not to see any kind of downturn in drug use problems or attendant violence."

Tafoya predicts that children born of drug-addicted mothers. particularly those who use crack, will be "time bombs that will explode in the future."

'By the time those children those that survive - come into the crime-prone age group, those children are going to be more prone to antisocial behavior than anything that we see todsy, because the nature and the way in which they will be raised offers little hope or opportunity for them.

And the impact of drugs in their formative years may be impossible to reverse under the best conditions."

On the more positive side of the balance sheet, Tafoya pointed to the steadily increasing numbers of college-educated police officars, who, he said, are "more tolerant, more understanding. more aware of cultural and social diversity," and can act as agents for change.

But Tafoya cautioned police managers against taking an apathetic view toward emerging trends, "I think that's a tragic mistake," he said. "The actions or inactions of present-day executives are going to impact on what happens to sociaty and policing down the road."

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NYPD's Ward calls it a career, earning high marks for his efforts

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department still faces continuing criticisms that some of its officers are racist and that it is insensitive to the needs of minorities.

Precinct-Based Scandal

In addition, several NYPD precincts suffered scandals that marred the Ward administration. In one Queens precinct, a number of officers were accused of using electronic stun-guns to force confessions out of criminal suspects. Another precinct in that borough was the focus of allegations of racism by white officers toward their black and Hispanic coworkers.

The one major corruption scandal of the Ward years touched the 77th Precinct in Brooklyn, where more than a dozen officera were accused of ahaking down drug dealers, reselling confiscated narcotics, and ataging burglaries. The episode prompted Ward to order a plan of rotating precinct assignments for the entire New York patrol force as a way of preventing corruption from taking hold. He withdrew the plan under pressure from the police union and community groups.

Allegations of police brutality were at the heart of the 1988 riot in Tompkins Square Park, in which hundreds of police officers battled neighborhood residents

protesting a park curfew. resulting in scores of injuries and numerous charges of official misconduct. Ward promptly ordered a high-level investigation of the incident, which led to a shakeup in command and the implementation of new crowdcontrol tactics. Ward referred to the police riot as "not the New York City Police Department's

Procedures Put to Test

The new crowd-control plans were tested this past August during a confrontation on the Brooklyn Bridge between police and demonstrators protesting the death of a black teenager at the hands of a gang of white teenagers. The incident, which resulted in injuriea to aeveral officers, was handled with "restraint," Ward said.

Ward said his toughest time as commissioner came after the 1984 shooting death of Eleanor Bumpurs, an elderly, mentally disturbed black woman who was killed by a police officer during a botched eviction attempt. The officer was charged with murder and subsequently acquitted, but Ward seized the opportunity to institute a variety of new nonlethal methods for dealing with emotionally disturbed persons.

On the whole, however, Ward's

administration of the NYPD has garnered highly favorable reviews from a broad array of criminal justice officials. Lawrence Sherman, a former New York crime analyst who now heads the Crime Control Institute in Washington, aaid Ward's legacy might include hia attention to "quality of life" problems.

Getting Through Tough Times

"He made it a priority to deal with what some other commissioners had viewed as trivial matters" such as noise and streetlevel drug aales. Sherman told the New York Daily News.

"His silent legacy may be that the city didn't explode during a period of increased racial tension. Sherman added. "It was a tough time to be a police commissioner, and he got the city through those tough times.'

Manhattan District Attorney Robert Morgenthau told New York Newsday that Ward was "a great police commissioner, [who] leaves behind big shoes to fill."

"I gave him high marks as a police commissioner," added Thomas Reppetto, the president of the Citizens Crime Commission of New York.

As for Ward's own assessment, he said simply that he would like to be remembered only as "a cop's

Ben Ward: "I may not be the most tactful person"

While New York City Police Commissioner Benjamin Ward has been called many things, he has never been accused of being boring. In fact. he seemed to have a way with words that was colorful, if not insightful - or inciteful depending on who he was talk-ing to. Following are a few examples of Ward's propensity for headline making remarks during his tenure as police commissioner:

¶ On charges that he had appeared drunk at a police convention in August 1984: "I dare say I shall never have another drink while in public office."

¶ Responding at a July 1987 town meeting in Queens to a woman who said she was afraid to go home at night because a rapist was stalking her neighborhood: "You're the kind he's looking for - under 30, beautiful and blonde."

¶ Speaking to a group of black ministers in July 1987 about black-on-black crime, a phenomenon he had referred to earlier as "our dirty little secret": "Our little secret is out of the box. When you go home tonight, if you find your place burglarized, it probably will be one of your neigbbors.... If you stay here too late tonight and then go outside, it might be a young black man that will hurt you.

¶ Speaking to a group of Hispanic community leaders in late 1988: "Tell your relatives to be careful where they buy their drugs; we don't want to confiscate their cars.

¶ Apologizing to the same group of Latino leaders this past January for his previous remark: "There's a saying in South Africa, used by white South Africans. They say, 'You can't give a Zulu white bread; you have to give him black bread, because if you give them white bread, then they'll be back asking you for butter."

¶Remarking to Deputy Chief David Velez at a promotion ceremony where Velez became the department's highest-ranking Hispanic officer: "Practice up on your diction and get your posture in

¶On race relations: "Racism is as American as apple pie."

¶ On himself: "I'm big, I

have a large volume to my voice, I'm blunt, and I'm black. All of those things are going to make me highvisibility.... I may not be the most tactful person, but I have a reputation for honesty.'

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TV's hottest turn-on: 'America's Most Wanted'

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The NYPD gets another well-traveled cop at the helm

Who will replace Benjamin Ward as head of the nation's largest police department? For at least the remainder of the year, that joh goes to Ward's right-hand man, First Deputy Commissioner Richard Con-

Condon, 53, is said to be a skillfol diplomat and negotiator, and also has a repotation for being tough on corruption. In his current poat, he has been responsible for the dayto-day operations of the department, incloding managing its hudget and personnel and formulating disciplinary policy.

Condon was a 19-year veteran of the department when he stepped down as a deputy inspector in 1976 to hecome the director of investigations in the Office of the Special Prosecutor for Corruption in the Criminal Justice System in New York. He held that post until 1982, when Mayor Edward I. Koch named him as the city's deputy criminal justice coordinator. From 1983 to 1986 he was Commissioner of the New York State Division of Criminal Jnatice Services.

In 1986, he returned to the NYPD, at Ward's request, to become first deputy commisdegree in English from Pace University and a master's degree in criminal justice from John Jay College of Criminal

In announcing Condon's appointment as head of the Police Department, Mayor Koch emphasized that Condon was not being named acting or interim commissioner. However, whether that appointment lasts beyond Dec. 31, when Koch's term ends, remains to be seen. Neither of the two major-party candidates for Mayor - David Dinkins. the Democrat, and Rudolph Giuliani, the Republican - has indicated publicly his plans for filling the Police Commissioner's slot.

Condon moved quickly to fill his own spot aa First Deputy Commissioner, announcing one day after his own appointment that he had chosen Alice McGillion, who has been the NYPD's Deputy Commissioner for Public Information for the past nine years. McGillion will be the first woman ever to hold the number-two joh in the department, and the first person in that position who has not spent any time in the uniformed ranks.

I got rhythm:

Sleep, shift-work explored

who work evening shifts usually don't sleep until about three hours after completing the shift. said Czeisler. And since a worker on an evening shift doesn't usually have to return to his job until mid-afternoon, he will usually sleep through the morning.

"It's much easier to go from that kind of schedule, where you're already staying up half the night, to staying up all night," said Czeisler.

Czeisler said that another aspect to consider in redesigning work schedules in accordance with circadian rhythms is the length of time workers spend on a given shift. He noted that many departments, including Philadelphia's, require shift rotations every week, which is "very disruptive to the systems of the body that time the release of hormones, the daily variation in alertness and performance and other physiological functions that vary between day and

"Instead of rotating 50 or 60 times a year, as is common with most shift schedules, we don't think they should rotate more than 15 or 20 times a year." said Czeisler. He likened a frequent number of shift changes to "changing time zones or flying to Europe 20 times a year. Could you

imagine doing it 50 times a year?"

Similar to Jet Lag

The result, he said, is the same: The body experiences a run-down condition similar to jet lag because the frequent shift rotations don't give it a chance to reset its internal functions.

Czeisler said workers on rotating shifta, whosa jobs are usually more taxing and stressful, are called upon to work more than a five day week. which makes no sense what. soever.'

"We're taking something which is physically more difficult and we're having them do it six or seven days in a row hefore they get a day off," Czeisler said, "So our recommendation is that they should certainly work no more than five days in a row. Since [police] work is physically more difficult than the average job, we think they shouldn't work more than four days in a row.'

Implementing these kinds of changes in the schedule planning of the experimental Philadelphia police district resulted in improvements in productivity, reductions in sick time and increases in safety, Czeisler said.

"As soon as they were put back on their old schedule, the patrol car sccident rate went back up over 40 percent," he noted.

"nodding off" on the job also decreased, a development he said was critically important to the safety of police officers.

The Rhythm of Criminals

As part of his study in Philadelphia. Czeisler examined proportional staffing requirements. He found that there were seven times as many calls for service in the late evening hours as there were from 5 A.M. to 7 A.M., yet the department utilizes tha same amount of manpower regardless of the levels of calls for service.

"Criminals are also subject to these same circadian rhythms," he said, "and they reach the low point of their activity at about the same time as the police do. The point is that it's ridiculous to have the same number of police on duty at all hours of the day or night when the demand for service varies so permanently with the time of day."

Czeisler advocates the use of some type of proportional staffing because he said "it minimizes the number of police on duty at the times that are physiologically the most disruptive." It's an option that is open to police agencies, yet one that few take advantage of.

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Redesigned shift plan under scrutiny in Phila.

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to the previous two-year average;
¶ Sleeping pills and alcohol
were used less frequently by officers experiencing sleep depriva-

¶ Officers' families reported a fivefold increase of satisfaction with their work schedules;

¶ Twice as many officers preferred the new schedule to the old one.

Whatever the benefits of the revised schedules, though, Czeisler's plan for departmental staffing and scheduling is now tied up in arbitration because the city has objected to the 17 extra days off each year that the plan would provide, according to Kenneth Rocks, a vice president of the local Fraternal Order of Police who is in charge of the negotiations. The union supports Czeisler's plan, Rocks added, because it represents a healthier approach to shift scheduling.

"Right now we work a rotating shift—six days on, two days off," he told LEN. "We rotate against the clock, and every week we change shifts. According to the studies that Dr. Czeisler did, the shift that we work is a killer. It's the worst possible thing for a body to do, to work the way we work."

The city agrees that the present shift schedule is unhealthy, he added.

Frank Costello, the FOP's president, said the organization is fighting "avidly" for the plan. He said the plan is "certainly head and shoulders above the schedule we're now working." The city has offered a proposal calling for a midnight to 8 A.M. shift, with the other two shifts alternating from

day shifts to evenings, he said.

"The city simply threw it on the table and never sought to explain it. So right now, Czeisler's proposal is the only viable alternative that's been offered by either side," Costello observed.

Hearings on the issue ended Sept. 19, and the arbitrators are now in executive session. Costello could not say when a decision might be reached, but he noted that the arbitrator's ruling will be final and binding.

Researcher links police shifts and health concerns

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manpower to have people there when they're not needed and then to have not enough people there when they're needed most," said Czeisler, who added that the manpower shortages faced by many departments "make it all the more important to utilize the people that they do have most effectively."

Police departments are apparently beginning to take a hard look at their scheduling plans, largely because of the findings of researchers like Czeisler. "They are recognizing that these shifts are inappropriate and deleterious for the men's health as well," he said.

Czeisler said that because of the "consistent disruption of work schedules" police officers suffer from a variety of long-term health consequences, including higher rates of cardiovascular disease, gastrointestinal disorders, sleep disorders, and increased use of alcohol.

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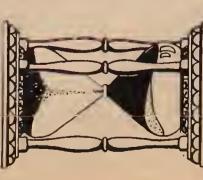
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